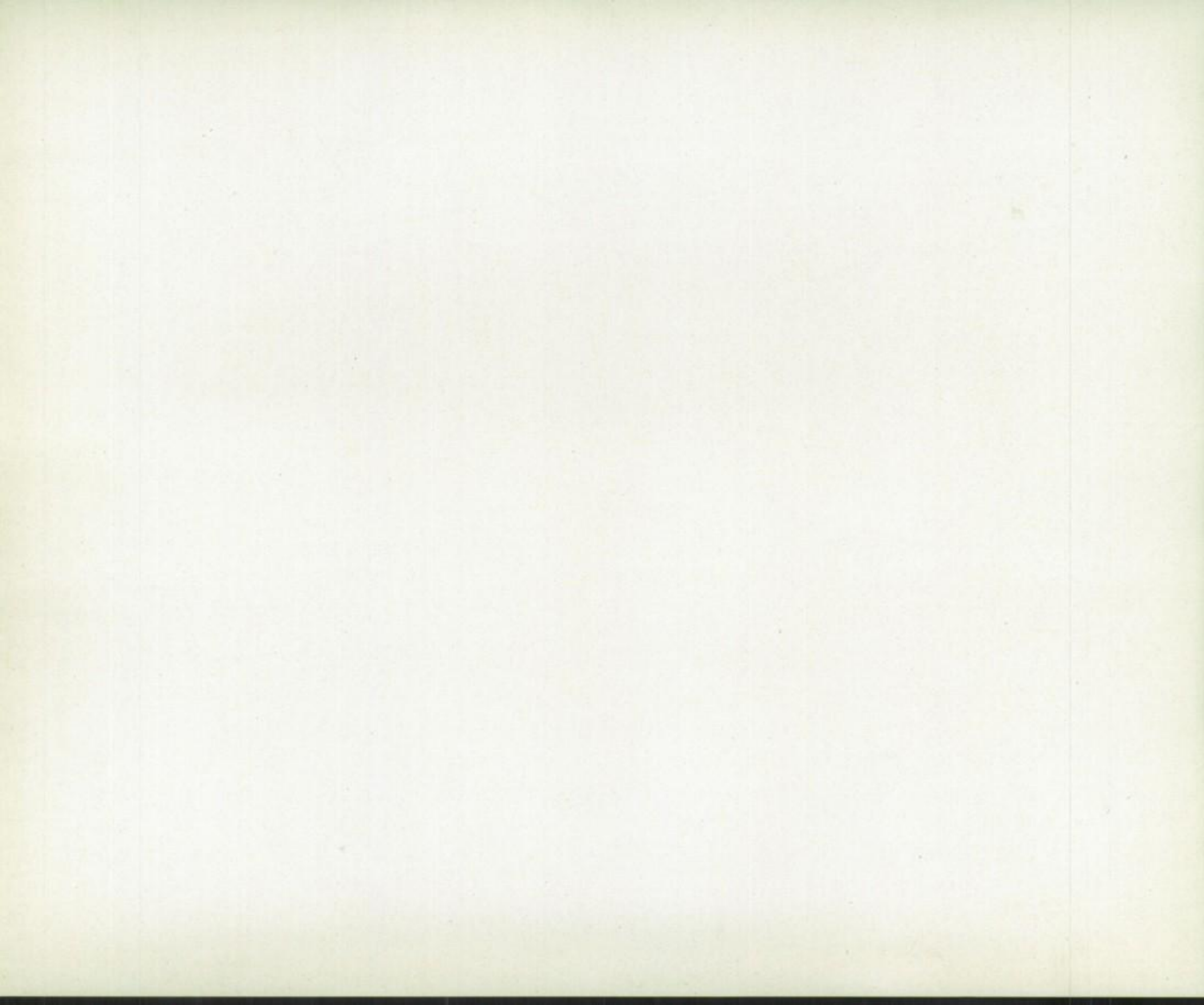




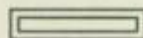
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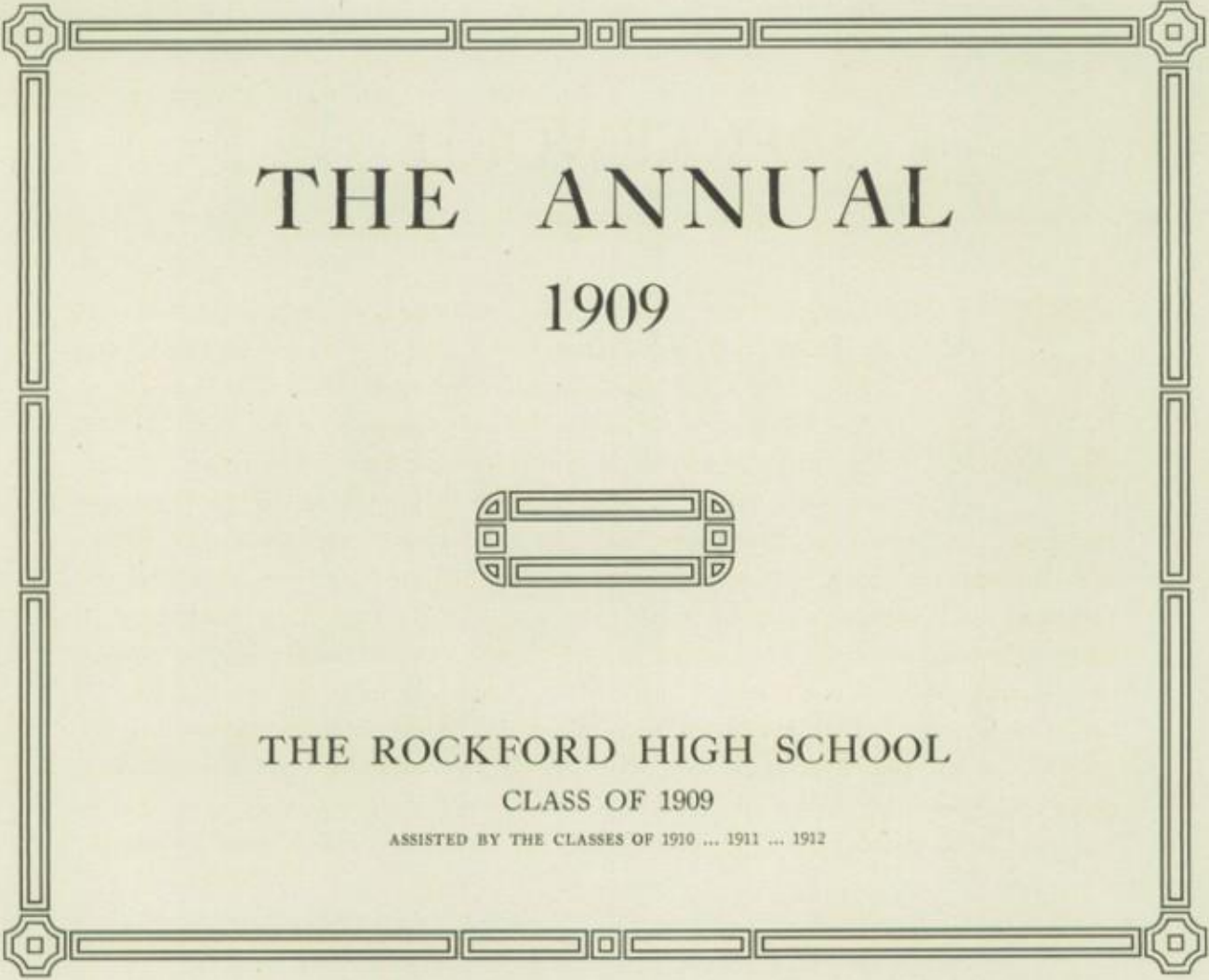




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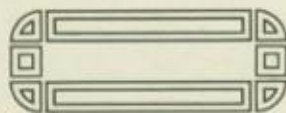


THIS number of the ANNUAL is submitted to the critical review of its readers. In this matter, it is hoped that all will be candid and frank, at the same time reasonable in their deductions, bearing in mind that the publication is the sole product of the High School. The work, whether from a literary or artistic viewpoint, is the result of the efforts of its members. It may have its shortcomings, therefore, but we hope that these may be overlooked, inasmuch as the editors and management have zealously labored and cooperated for the ideal that the edition of the year-book might be ranked as a model, as well as a suggestion, of what the school can do. Throughout but one spirit has actuated those in control, namely, that the book might reflect in every way, the life, character and activities of the High School. This, as all know, is composed of the commonplace events, the semi-humorous, the humorous, and the occasionally ludicrous; but the sum-total make up, the unit life of the institution. It is all given in the spirit of magnanimity and good fellowship for the High that flaunts the colors of *black and crimson*.



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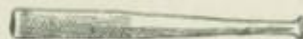
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CLASS OF 1909

ASSISTED BY THE CLASSES OF 1910 ... 1911 ... 1912

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ments of the Rockford High School
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Alternating Readings

Few Hidden Glimpses of the Faculty Roll

Miss Morse—Dean of the High School, and faculty as well. Versatile in all the needs of the school. Her noble life and works have left an imperishable heritage to many a boy and girl.

Miss Waldo—Were it not for the breadth of insight of this woman, many a youthful student would find his researches a drudgery, and his labors of study, discontent. She mirrors the brightest things of a school room.

Miss Brown—This is for Agnes. Has never been accused of disturbing the peace. Deeply sensible of her work and duty. Her amiable ways make the scientific studies pleasant.

Miss Vincent—Harriet, Mr. Reader. An exception to the rule that women do all the talking. Seldom seen outside of home or room 47. Richly endowed with the faculty of making the budding mathematical ideas to take firm root.

Miss Dobson—If all mankind understood the nobility of true silence, and the blessedness of logical thinking as this woman does, how much more richly endowed would all life be. She makes a dead language live.

Miss Jenks—Believer in deliberating scientifically over the substances to be eaten. Her man (pardon the expression with a lady member of the faculty) accepts it most admittedly. Many beggars have found her room congenial.

Miss Ritchie—Long-handed people are made short-handed under her careful and tender tutorship. She is quite conspicuous for her silence.

Mr. Wooley—He registers from Youngstown, Ohio. Runs the mechanical shop with an iron hand. Has been located frequently by his genial laugh. Plans to discover his whereabouts may be begun at any time at the general office. "John Kling of the team."

Mr. Heth—The boy orator of the plains. His ambition is said to be for the law. He spends his evenings exclusively in his study. Takes frequent early morning rambles. The "Chance" of the squad. Leaves little dust to be stirred when he runs bases.

Miss Putnam—She kindly and successfully looks after the beleaguered room 2. Very indispensable to the success of the verdant Freshies. Her resources for joking are prolific.

Miss Corcoran—Many youthful thinkers have said, upon emerging from her room: My time there has been wisely spent, where the most abiding wealth was obtained. She vies with other members in versatility.

Mr. Gordon—Has fulfilled all pledges "in regard" to his ability to teach. His skill with the camera is far from being a mean consideration. Very nimble in his ways, hence holds record as base-runner. Is able to cover the greater part of the outfield.

Mr. Stedinger—Were you to disassociate the German element from Herr, scarcely anything would remain except than a shadow.

Miss Glenney—Very careful worker. Young, yet very successful in the calling to which she has been called. Very susceptible to jokes and puns. Constant contributor to "Owl".

Miss Hunter—One of her striking characteristics is to be found in the frankness with which she not infrequently expresses her mind.

Mr. Rose—This gentleman's name is very suggestive of his general bearing and character (complexion thrown in). He is not known, ever, to exhibit any of the prickly elements. An athletic enthusiast; basket ball his delight; one of heavy hitters on baseball squad.

Miss Clark—She is very proficient in the art of smiling away the cares of life and her profession. She helps to make many apparently unknown quantities to assume actual values about school.

Mr. Johnson—This gentleman and his voice are inseparable. The latter is especially familiar to many a listless member of the student body. Is said to be a possible utility man for baseball squad.

Miss Cation—This lady has been called in to assist in the Domestic Science department. Her size is no criterion of her ability to work. She is educating young women to the fact that silence is most conducive to the success of a sewing circle.

Mr. Burnett—Knows the correct angle and curve of each letter to the mathematical division of a hair's breadth. Believer in much practice, little preaching. Choicest diversion is raising fine chickens. Has been mustered into faculty baseball squad.

Miss Eddy—Her name is Eddy, but her life runs as smoothly as a deep stream. The menu in room 23 is history. The dead relics of the ancient past are made to live again.

Miss Giddings—Given name necessarily omitted. Room 10 is wisely provided for. Rapid firing, conversational methods, with few intermissions. Quite "keen" about dramatics.

Mrs. Thomas—History is her scripture and daily confession. Very mindful of the little ones. Behind her apparently stern countenance is always to be found a lovely nature.

Miss Duffy—She is quick to detect the literary defects of people, and correct them with precision and skill of a wise judge. She is reported to speak seldom, but then very judiciously.

Mrs. Stevens—Has abiding faith in the English language. Many youthful minds have received abiding inspiration from her helpful suggestions and instruction.

Miss Foster—Known to all, admired by all, helpful to all. Almost the sumtotal of her daily work. The worth of her every act is in being, not seeming.

Mr. Haight—This man's name is allowed to slip in here because he is married. This name refers to the senior member of the family. A very genial gentleman, stern in his ways, yet is classed among the latter day humorists. High School band and this gentleman are one and inseparable. Has recently taken to baseball.

Miss Vincent—This is diminutive Ethel. What the senior sister lacks in the freedom and pitch of speech is amply accounted for in this member. She finds mathematics a diversion.

Miss Brown—Junior member of the firm of Browns. An enthusiastic athlete. At Lake Geneva she is noted as a daring navigator. Sunny temperament; gracefully designed by nature.

Miss Pierpont—If one were to mention all her good qualities, it would require a volume. She helps maintain the excellence of the scientific department. With her, silence is golden.

Mr. Norris—This gentleman is always dignified in his ways and habits. He looks very carefully and scrutinizingly before he leaps. W. T. is his long suite. One of the baseball fans.

Mr. Hamilton—One who looks after the commercial side of law. His oft-quoted phrase is: "Go it, Tiger!" Greatly devoted to his work. Habits normal. Seldom seen out after dark. Umpiring is becoming his specialty.

Miss Brantingham—Presides over the destinies of room 60. The commendable efforts of many of the local artists are due to her training. Her vocabulary is profuse in tints, angles, shapes, proportions, spacing, and landscapes.

Mr. Haupt—This name is quite Germany. He comes from Missouri. It is necessary to show him. Of the newcomers among the men on the faculty he is the most normal in his habits. He is married. His field manoeuvres add greatly to baseball games.

Mr. Ludens—Generally sober. Habits are suitable either for night or day. Feels that brevity is the better part of discretion in suggesting his own obituary.



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 1909

Not the end, but the beginning



SENIOR CLASS

Thoughts for the Future Seniors

Ye Sophomores, Juniors, and Freshmen, too,
Who forth from this school must go some day,
Confess to yourself ('twill be good for you),
Just answer these queries—please don't turn away!

"If every member in my class
Were just such a member as I,
What kind of a class, when it comes our turn,
Will go forth from Rockford High?

"How well will we have upheld the fame
Our predecessors so painfully gained?
Will we leave the 'scutcheon bright and fair,
Or will it be blotted and stained?

"What kind of athletics would our school have,
If each promoted them as much as I?
How much school spirit would be displayed,
If every one patterned from that of mine?

"What kind of a bird would our old 'Owl' be,
Honored by twenty long years of success,
If no one took any more pains than I
To add a soft feather to his nest?

"What standing in studies would Rockford have
Among other school of our size,
If my work in the classroom was depended upon
To bear off the much-longed-for prize?

"How much of our school life and ways
Would the 'Annual' display,
If each one did as much as I
To smooth the rough (and lonesome) way?"

Now, Sophomore, Junior, and Freshmen wee,
What kind of an answer will your answer be?

"If all its members were just like me,
What kind of a class would my class be?"

As a Senior Looks at June Twenty-Fourth

Of all the woes that e'er befell
Dear, grand, old Rockford High,
The worst of these is sure to come
When Naught-Nine says "Good-bye".

We've labored long and faithfully,
And no one can deny
We've added glory to the fame
Of our dear Rockford High.

We have had athletes, not a few,
Who have done battle royal
On gridiron, diamond, track and floor,
To prove that we are loyal.

We've studied all our lessons well
Through all these gladsome days;
Upon our record you will find
Plenty of bright and shining A's.

In every way we've done our best
To prove that we are true,
Not only to the red and black
But also to our white and blue.

No wonder, then, this school will mourn,
The birds get out of tune,
When we from these dear walls depart
The twenty-fourth day of June.

History of the Class of 1909

ACT I.

Scene 1.

All stage settings a bright, vivid green Location: Before Rockford High School. Above the door is a shining statue of Fama, patron goddess of R. H. S., resplendent with trophies brought to her feet by former classes. As the curtain rises there is a great commotion, and with the aid of opera glasses one can see a large company of small boys and girls entering, some with playthings. They are met and welcomed by a kindly, intelligent looking man and a lady with raven black hair, piercing black eyes, and the original "vinegar aspect." The **Freshmen** (for such the small people are) fairly shrivel up for fear, more so when behind a screen they see some older boys, in waiting with red and black paint. In spite of the gentleman and the tiger lady, these boys soon rush out, and with the cry, "Hail! Class of '09!" set upon the wee boys with a literal flood of red and black.

[Curtain Falls.]

Scene 2.

The curtain rises, revealing the interior of a school-room. The green scenery is a trifle faded and very mouldy. The cross-looking lady is enthroned behind the desk, spy-glass in hand. The new little people are all very busy over a high stack of painfully new books. A teacher here and there smiles at this remarkable industry, and glances significantly at a pile of report cards. A few upper classmen, looking in, turn away with alarmed looks, anxiously feeling for the laurel wreaths on their brows. "Guess we'd better look out," they say, "'Tis plain the Naught Niners are here to work!"

[Curtain.]

ACT II.

Scene 1.

A schoolroom, much like that in Act I, Scene 2. All green scenery has given place to crimson, black, navy blue, and white. The lady of the vinegar aspect no longer rules at the desk, but in her place sits a Beau Brummel, with red hair and a jolly red face. All the teachers are beaming upon the **Sophomores**, who are somewhat decreased in number but increased in size, and very busy at their books. Thru open windows can be seen some athletic youths performing with balls, and playing antics upon the track, to the wonder and admiration of a new class of Freshmen.

[Curtain.]

Scene 2.

Same as Scene 1. The company of main actors, though in rather crowded a condition, are working away faithfully. Teachers and other students express unfeigned admiration for this enterprising class. There is some dreamy, air-castle talk of a wonderful "new building that is to be."

[Curtain.]

ACT III.

Scene 1.

As the curtain rises there is a great deal of hammering, sawing, and disturbance in general, and we see the honorable **Juniors** bravely trying to study amid the tumult of the carpenters. The room is larger and more splendid than before,—all brand new. On the high new platform is a kind, gray-haired lady, keeping faithful watch over the Juniors and Seniors. The report cards still have a flattering

appearance, and the teachers smile broadly as they say, "What can they not do when the new building is all nicely finished?" The curtain falls amid a deafening clash of noises of carpentering.

Scene 2.

The rising of the curtain reveals the room in Scene 1, now finished off beautifully. The confusion of carpenters has quieted and cleared away. The Juniors, decreased still more in numbers, are working most industriously. Anxious puckers have already begun to appear in their foreheads. Yet the reports are still a credit to their labors, and the athletes have grown surprisingly in number and glory. The Juniors are also well represented in the Band, Glee Club, Debating Society,—in fact, all the organizations of the school. Everyone is proud of our heroes and heroines. Only one event marks the pleasure of this scene. At the close, the kind gentleman who first welcomed these people as Freshmen enters and bids a sad farewell to the mournful study body.

[Curtain falls.]

ACT IV.

Scene 1.

[All stage settings blue and white.]

The curtain, rising, reveals a very busy scene. In the foreground the main body of now dignified **Seniors** is poring over deep volumes, their brows contracted with the mighty concentration of their brilliant intellects. A group of teachers, now headed by a dark young gentleman, look on approvingly from the background. To the left is a group of athletes, football, baseball, basketball and track heroes,

each crowned with a wreath of fresh laurels, and surrounded by a worshipping throng of lower classmen. At the right is a large table, over which hovers a grand old Owl, the task master of the large company about the table. At their head is a Naught Niner, however,—so of course the old bird is very happy and prosperous. Not far away another group is busy compiling the "Annual," (With what success you are witness). At the other side of the stage a young orator, resplendent with a well won medal, is vying with a young lady who is declaiming at his side.

The teachers are busy piling up the work, "For," as they say, "'tis our last chance at this banner class."

Scene 2.

Before R. H. S., as in Act I, Scene 1. All settings blue and white, draped in black. The beautiful statue of Fama is shining with more glorious blaze than ever before. Before the door is the class of 1909, increased in stature and wisdom, and, though diminished from its original number, still the largest class ever graduated. All are weeping copiously,—athletes, orators, artists and students. The teachers and under-classmen are sadly bidding them farewell. Men and women of the world, too, are here, eagerly beckoning the Seniors forth into society, business, education, philanthropy,—all the different walks of life. Then, each proud graduate receives his or her diploma, earned by slow and painful degrees, and fondly looking back all cry, "Farewell, dear Rockford High!"

[Curtain falls.]

—L. O. W. '09.

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The lady patrons of Stots meat market will grieve to learn that the good looking young floorwalker, Merlyn Trescott, has left the firm.

R. Decamp is now ass't mg'r of substation No. 4 on the Beloit line.

Prof. B. A. Frost has taken up a professorship of science in W. Spring's Business College.

WEATHER

Our weather prophet S. Smith confidentially predicts that it

will be colder tomorrow if the temperature drops.

P. I. Graves has left his bench in E. Widman's shoe repairing shop. He simply can't hold the lasts between his knees.

Lawyer Alice McPherson is coming to the front in suffragism. She will be candidate for mayor of Roscoe next spring.

M. Hemenway has bought an interest in "Dreamland." We will soon see his face at the window.



LOCALS

Miss Grace Barnett has accepted a position as stenographer at the suspender factory.

Ralph Billingham wishes to thank his friends for their liberal patronage of his truck gardening enterprise.

Miss Pearl Burrell has accepted the position of demonstrator at Pekin, China, for Denatured Iron Filing, a new brain food.

Ralph James has taken a position as warden at the Winnebago Insane Asylum.

Drs. E. B. Rowley and C. E. Boswell will open offices in the Trust Bldg. soon. They leave a well established practice in Rockton. Both are graduates of the Dakota (Ill.) Academy of Anatomy.

Prominent Citizen Passes Away

at Brown's Creek. Carlton Welsh is now a Dead one. Undertaker W. Anglemire buries him in brick yard by mistake. Deceased was prominent worker in Ladies' Aid Society.

Discontinued on Pge. 6.

Miss Theresa Rea is now with the Trescutt Battle Creek Co., makers of sand baked breakfast foods.

Miss Belle Hinchliff has been awarded the position of domestic science teacher in the Marengo high school.

By Special Wire

Roscoe Times-Chronicle Nov. 18th.

Hallet Mershon, an agriculturist of this locality, was thrown from his wagon in a collision with a street car this morning. The body was torn from the running gears and his products were strewn over the road, but fortunately he wasn't hurt.

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Editorial

If you happen to be knocked in these columns, kindly remember that the editor doesn't write this thru malice; he has to support a small family of nine large children.—J. W. W.

Miss Lillian Tinberg gave an oratorical recital at the White Conservatory of Dramatic Arts last evening. The large number who were present were very much impressed and speak highly of the results being accomplished by the instructors, the Misses Lucile and Leila White.

Miss Garnett Nash, teacher of grade 1, Lincoln school, has arranged to give her pupils a treat tomorrow afternoon. They will be given a lecture by Prof. Ferguson Wormwood, M. D., N. I. F., the famous ex-Rea specialist. He will enlighten the little ones as to the "Super-excrecence of Expository Motivation."

Advertise in the RepegiStar

A HORRIBLE ACCIDENT

Joe Lundholm, head pencil pusher for Pearson Lumber Co., slips on piece of atmosphere and is precipitated to the ground. Hang nall on right hand horribly mangled. Thinks atmosphere was placed there on purpose. Dr. William Holly administers relief.

Continued elsewhere.

The Misses Marguerite Peterson and Alma Stevens are home on a short visit from Chicago, where they are nursing in St. Luke's hospital.

Esther Mead and Mary Ross are editing a new magazine, "The Ladies' Home Bazar." Every copy contains short stories, dress patterns, 2 pages of music and household hints. It is illustrated by that artist of far-famed ability, Miss Stella Mandeville, and promises to be very popular among the gentler sex.

Another star has been added to the galaxy of RepegiStar reporters. After using every means of persuasion, the editor has obtained the services of Miss Marguerite Skinner, who will write our Society Notes and also a new column of her own invention, headed "Smiles".

SOCIETY NOTES

Miss Edna Cutting entertained at a dinner party last night. It is whispered about that it was a prenuptial affair.

Rev. W. Ashton Johnson of Court St. M. E. church will take for his text next Sun., "The immoralities of reading literature on the Sabbath." Brother Elvidge will lead Sun. School.

Master Waldo Harris will take a place as soloist in the choir of the Holy Jumpers.

Miss Marjorie Gibboney has returned from Mud lake, where she reports the fish are plentiful, biting on (Angle)worms taken from the (Mire).

M'me. Lucie Brearly has returned to her old home for a few days visit prior to a year's concert tour in Europe.

Miss Fern Lane has been appointed teacher of room "8" of the Fred Camlin school, taking the place vacated by Miss Madeline Petritz. Miss Petritz leaves the city next week for Lawt, on the river Rhein.

HAIRBREADTH ESCAPE

Four Ladies Attacked in Wilds—Saved by a Merry Widow

Almost breathless, four young ladies dashed into the Sanitarium grounds. They were the Misses Gladys Byers, M. Moscrop, Ruth Larson and Cora Lind. They had been gathering flowers, when suddenly a carnivorous Bovine dashed from ambush with devouring intentions. With great presence of mind Miss Byers threw off her Merry Widow hat and while the beast devoured it the four escaped. The quartet are employed at the Buckbee seed plant.

Signor Penn Worden is now the musical director at the Star theater. We all wish success for this talented musician.

The Misses M. Gunner, Ednah Allen and R. Alley have been appointed missionaries to British East Africa. They will look after the theological interests of the Roosevelt party.

After two years of patient waiting Eugene Garey has been admitted to the Cherry Valley Nurse Girls' Union.

SPORTS

GIRLS WIN IN RACES.

Flynn Club to the Front.

(Special to Repegistar.)

Belvidere, Nov. 18.—At a joint track meet between the Belvidere Boiler Makers and Rockford Flynn Club, Miss M. Norton of the Highland Sewing Academy won the mile in 4:40. Miss Norton has trained for 8 years, using the Flynn method. She received a handsome leather medal.

Cherry Valley, Nov. 18.—Miss Hilda Peterson won the ladies' Marathon in 2 hrs. 47 min. 12 seconds. About 12,000 witnessed the race in the stadium.

Mr. Arthur Hildebrand has returned from New York, where he has been given a tryout with the "Giants." McGraw wires that he needs more seasoning and he is to report to Mgr. Tritle of the Cherry Valley team.

Tonight, at the R. A. C.: Ten rounds between Whirl-Wind (Ed) Witherstein and Kid (Harry) Johnson for bantam weight championship.

Ralph S. P. Brabrook has just broken the world's record in the 220 low hurdles, making the distance in 10 flat seconds. Great credit is due Robert Armstrong, his trainer, the noted exponent of the peanut diet.

THEATRES

AT THE GRAND TONIGHT.

Boydell Eastonne and Rae Fryzble in their exccruciating farce, "Shine, Little Glow Worm." Popular prices.

AT THE MAJESTEUM.

Mme. Hazelle Upson, Prima Dona, will sing, "Blushes Come and Blushes Go, but Dimples Stay Forever."

Youngs and McGuire, Hebrew parodists and comedians; Miss Ruth Rosenquist, terpsichorean artist; Eugene Hall, ventriloquist and bird imitator; Henry Haegg, the boy with the golden voice, will sing ulcerated songs.

Miss M. Burns has left vau-deville and is starring in a one-act tragedy, entitled "Burns Is a Hot Name."

LEAVES POSITION

Miss Irma Lynn, who has been employed at Edna Erickson's Cafeteria has left the establishment. These are the facts of the case: Miss E. Fredrickson, a clerk at Stewart & Co., entered the cafe and called for consomme mock turtle. Miss Lynn, thinking she had been told to consume a turtle, was highly incensed, and, after the altercation which followed, she left the firm.

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Florence Taylor has completed a novel which promises to have a large sale among the younger set. It is called, "How to Work the Teachers" or "Winning Ways at High School." It contains personal experiences of the author.

Miss Hazel Koch has been admitted to the angel choir at Trinity church, New York. It is rumored that she got in more thru her face than thru her voice.

Miss Cora Wester is winning great renown for her home city, in England, where she is giving a series of recitals.

After years of patient effort Miss Mary Weld has succeeded in mastering German pronunciation and is now compiling a comprehensive pronouncing Gazetteer.

OBITUARY

To the regret of all Miss Gladys Shockley died laughing on a Harlem car yesterday, caught from the contagious giggling duo of such fame.

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The Junior Class of 1910



THIS class entered Rockford High School in September, 1906. Hazing was then in vogue and the Juniors can tell of events that would make Freshmen's eyes bulge with fear. The members of this class have been prominent in the affairs of the school from the start. In athletics, in oratory and debating, in social entertainments and in the different organizations the class has always taken the lead. It is the only one in the school which has had spirit enough to maintain a class basketball team during the past year. This is a demonstration of the kind of spirit that we need more of in our high school. It is one of the main factors in developing material for the school teams

and the victories can in many cases be traced to the individual work of some player who has had previous training in a class team. The work of our orators and debaters has been commendable and we hope that they may succeed in bringing as much honor to Rockford High in a literary way as the athletic teams have brought in a physical way. The class of 1910 has already done much to make R. H. S. what it is, and this is due in no small part to the efforts of our presidents for the past year, Frank Keig and Robert Thomas. This good work should be carried forward with increased vigor in every branch of our school work so that by the end of another year we can truly say that the Maroon and White has had a large share in making Rockford High School the greatest and best in the state.

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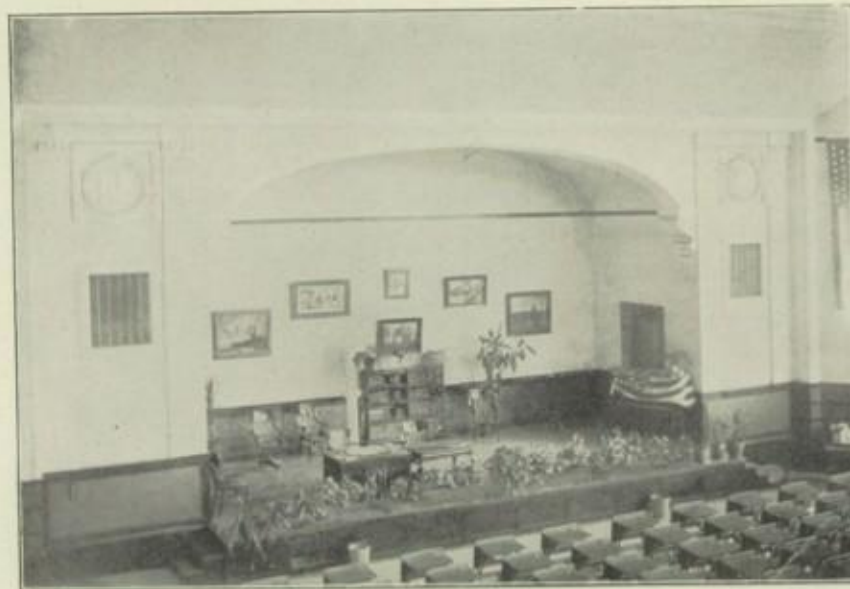
The Class of 1911



THE Sophomore year is always the year when a class awakens to the great possibilities of high school life. The class of 1911 has proved no exception to this rule and has this year began her march toward the goal of success. She has started to work her way to the front in athletics, in oratory and debating, in school work and in social affairs. The athletic spirit has proved exceptionally strong and has demonstrated itself both on the field and in the class meetings. On the athletic field it has been the source of much honor to the class. In class meetings it has sometimes proved so strong that it took the combined efforts of the president, the gavel, and Miss Giddings to prevent room 10 from being turned into a gridiron.

If the game had been fairly started once, no doubt some long standing records would have been broken. However, "this is the kind of stuff" that class spirit is made of and will stand in good stead in time of need.

The school work of this class is too well known to require mention, but it might be well to add that four A report cards are common occurrences. It is well represented in oratory and debating, boasting of some good men in each department. In social affairs it stands second to none and the way in which they and the class of '12 conducted the reception last April, made the Juniors and Seniors sit up and take notice. The presidents of the class for the past year, Roger T. Welsh and Hosmer Porter, have conducted class affairs in a creditable manner and deserve much praise for the part which they have taken in making the class of 1911 what it is.



FUTURE HOME

FRESHMEN



Class of 1912

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The Diplomat

"All's well that ends well."—*Shakespeare.*

Fate! That word so widely used and so little understood. Men have said, and still say, that it has been the cause of their downfall. Richard Barrington was one of these. Sitting in his office he was trying to recollect if at any time he had departed from the straight and narrow path, that fate should so blight his hopes. It was just his ill luck; fate and fortune had turned against him. He thought, not of the will of Him, who directs all, Him who rights all in the end; he thought only of his temporary misfortune.

Richard, better known as Dick, was a real estate agent. The Rockford Land Company had installed him as agent after several other agents had failed to boost Rockford; and Dick had made good. Through his untiring and unceasing energy, especially in the advertising line, the southeast end of the city had been boomed. Nearly all of the land, which his company owned, had been sold, many houses were in the process of construction, and a great many already finished.

Then rumors began to spread that the ground was boggy and would become nothing but marshes in a short time; some said Rockford would never grow out that far, that the land was perfectly worthless; and like most rumors, without the least foundation, caused havoc.

Day after day, Dick's former customers entered his office with offers to sell back the land for half of what they paid for it. But Dick's orders were to refuse all offers. The president of the company, after a long talk with Dick, told him in conclusion that they were not in business for their health. Although the rumors were groundless they had caused

the trouble and nothing could be done. So we find Dick gazing into space, trying to think of some plan whereby he might recuperate. Only a few months previous, everything had looked so bright and prosperous, but now he was thoroughly disgusted with real estate. He said over and over again to himself, that he never wanted to see the office again.

He was startled from the reverie by a knock at the door. He called a gruff "Come in," and the door opened.

"Good day, madam, what can I do for you?"

"I have come to see about those lots in the southeast end."

"Oh," Dick noticed his visitor for the first time. She was dark, dressed in maroon. Her eyes were dark brown and her hair black. Her voice was soft, almost an entreaty in every word. He thought she was far prettier, than even Dante's beloved. After his first start of surprise, his business nature and native shrewdness returned to him. "They are the best lots around there," he responded, "they will soon be worth two or three times the price they are now selling for. The city will grow around them in a few years. The street car companies have mapped out proposed lines and,—" She interrupted his flow of speech.

"Yes, I know, but I already own four of these lots. I heard that the land is not what it is supposed to be, and mother sent me up here to see if we could get our money back. The money was our savings since father died and we thought we had invested wisely. Surely you won't refuse to return the money?"

Ah! why were entrancing eyes always added to charming features? Surely one of the two was enough. She seemed to have little or no knowledge of business or she would never have asked to have her money returned. His orders were to—well hang the orders this time—he would refund the money and stand the loss himself. Reaching into a drawer in the safe he pulled out the amount necessary and in reply to her last question said:

"Of course not. Everyone has a perfect right to invest their money as they see fit. If the investment proves a failure," he lied smoothly, as only real estate men can, "they should have their money refunded."

She started for the door, but suddenly remembering something, turned around and said: "By the way, Mr. Barrington, there is a beautiful stretch of level land about thirty miles from here, near Freeport. I would be much obliged if you would investigate and see if the land is for sale. If it is, call on me, and we will discuss the terms in purchasing part of it. Here is my card," and with a "Good-day", she was gone.

Dick picked up the card.

"Marion Maxwell," he mused. "Thirteen twenty-six Washington Blvd. Well, I'll investigate anyway, it will help fill up my idle time now."

Dick did not know that millionaire Harrison owned the land or he would never have undertaken any investigation. Had he further known that the land had been reserved for the site of a home for the millionaire's son and wife, who were then travelling abroad, he would have discarded any idea of influencing Mr. Harrison to convert the land into lots. For Dick knew that Mr. Harrison was a determined man, and on no account had ever been known to alter any plan which he had decided upon. But as Dick knew nothing of this he remained happily ignorant.

Dick set out next day upon his investigation. He soon learned, that Mr. Harrison, the millionaire, owned this tract of land, but he did not let this fact annoy him; he only became more determined than ever to see whether or not he could buy some of this land. He did not know why it was, but somehow or other he found himself looking forward expectantly to the visit he was to pay to Marion. Surely he could not tell her he had not succeeded. No, that would never do; but what was he to do? Here he was with the reputation of being a real estate agent, that is, with the reputation that he had been. How was he to combat with a millionaire, who had money and power, who could let the land go to waste if he so desired? He resolved that he would at least call upon Mr. Harrison to see if there were any possible chance of inducing him to divide the tract of land into lots, and open it to speculators in real estate.

That evening he thought over several plans, whereby he could accomplish his purpose, but it seemed that none would have any influence over the millionaire. Suddenly a plan occurred to him.

"I might start a rumor, the same as was done regarding the southeast lots. I'll tell that the land is unhealthful and that he will be endangering the lives of his son and daughter-in-law. It's the only way—of course there would be a little untruth in it—but all is fair in love and, pshaw! Where am I wandering to? I've only seen her once; and I'm not a believer in love at first sight anyway. No—I can't do that—it wouldn't be exactly on the square. But I've made up my mind to pay that visit, and I'll not go unless I can tell her the land is for sale. And if I can't tell her so by doing the square thing I'll not tell her anything at all. I'll see Mr. Harrison in the morning anyway.

The next day Dick called upon Mr. Harrison determined not to disclose his identity, for in case

he failed no one would ever hear of it. The servant announced that Mr. Harrison was at home and would see him. As he opened the door he was greeted by a hearty "Good morning, sir, nice day."

"Good morning, Mr. Harrison. I have come to see you about your land at Freeport. I trust you will hear me as it is very important that you do. Now the land is—". Here Mr. Harrison came to the rescue.

"By jove! just the thing I wanted to discuss; that land near Freeport. Let me give you the details. You see, my son and his wife are pretty well advanced in social circles and intended to make their home on this tract of land; we call it Oakdale. I secretly bought up the land within a radius of five miles so as to hold a monopoly. But somehow or other this fact leaked out, and the social set decided to build elsewhere. Naturally my son did not want to be alone at Oakdale, so he too decided to build elsewhere."

"Now what I am trying to get at is this. The land as it is, is a hindrance and bother to me, in fact so much so, that I would be willing to dispose of it for half price. This is a good opportunity for a hustling and energetic real estate agent. But you were going to propose some plan about the land. What is it?"

"Just what you've suggested," Dick joyfully replied. "I came to tell you that that land would bring a good price if divided into lots," and again his shrewd business ability appeared, as he deftly recommended himself; "given to a good real estate agent," handing him his card.

After considering a few moments Mr. Harrison replied: "Well, Mr. Barrington, if you are ready to undertake the deal, I am. Come up tomorrow and we'll make arrangements. I will let that half price offer stand. Is it a go?"

"I am very much obliged, Mr. Harrison, but—", hesitated Dick, "I have a very important engagement tomorrow. How will the day after do?"

Mr. Harrison evidently noticed the emphasis on the word "important", and as he was in a very amiable and agreeable mood at the moment, he replied: "Very well, Mr. Barrington, that date will be satisfactory to me. I'll not detain you any longer. The day after tomorrow then. Good day."

Dick walked out of the house feeling jubilant. The world had arrayed herself in a new gown within the last hour, for everything was bright and cheerful, even the birds' sweet notes were full of life and pleasure. How different everything was since she had appeared! Yes, he concluded, that engagement was very important for he wanted to tell her the news as soon as possible. Tomorrow was a long, long way off.

He awoke with nature the next morning, wishing for two o'clock to come, for that was the time he had decided to call, when Marion was at work so that he could surprise her when she came home. But imagine what was his surprise when she opened the door at his ring to admit him. His first glance at her showed him that she was downcast and and dejected about something. But on recognizing him she assumed a happy smile.

"Why, Mr. Barrington! How you did surprise me. I thought you had forgotten all about me. But everything has not fared well with me. Fate has led astray all my well-laid plans." Fate was getting it in the neck again; poor unfortunate Fate! How innocent, and yet how much abused you are.

"Forgotten you! Why Miss Maxwell, I'd never for—" he checked himself in time, "I mean—why I mean—the dickens," he gasped. "I mean I never forget business. Don't you remember our engagement? I've seen about that land."

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FOOT-BALL

The Season

Considering the number of changes in the team during the season, Rockford had a most successful season in foot-ball. Rockford defeated all her opponents up to the final game when she had to give way to Urbana which triumphed under the coaching of David Hunter, a former Rockford player.

The geatest and most interesting game was the Moline game at Moline, when the Rockford High put it on their old rivals by the neat score of 18 to 6.

The team was especially fast and that is what won most of her games. Kitteringham and Brown at the ends, let very few opponents around them. Dowdakin and Chapman are considered by many the best pair of High School tackles in northern Illinois. The guards, Keig and Roy Ogilby made the strength around Wallace Ogilby, who filled the center position most successfully. Fleet-footed "Pezz" Graves held down the quarter-back position to the greatest satisfaction. Hildebrand punted well and was ably assisted in the back line by Tipple and Thomas. Mershon and Welsh are some excellent material for next season. Many of the players will be at school next season, and a most successful season is predicted under the leadership of Clarence Dowdakin.



HILDEBRAND, Captain

R. H. S. Football Team



Kitteringham	Welsh	Mershon	Thomas	Heth Hildebrand (Capt.)	Wooley	Tipple	McGuire	Brown
	Dowdakin		Keig	Graves	Ogilby	Chapman		
				W. Ogilby				

Lineup of '08 Football Team

Arthur Hildebrand, Captain	19	170	..... Full Back
Rob't Thomas,	19	162	..... Half Back.
"Dan" Tipple,	18	160	..... Half Back.
"Pezz" Graves,	19	152	..... Quarter Back.
Geo. Kiteringham,	18	146	..... End.
"Brock" Brown,	18	140	..... End.
Clarence Dowdakin,	19	165	..... Tackle.
Russell Chapman,	17	178	..... Tackle.
Frank Keig,	17	160	..... Guard.
Roy Ogilby,	19	175	..... Guard.
Wallace Ogilby,	18	172	..... Center.
Hale Mershon,	16	139	..... Sub. Half.
Roger Welsh,	15	135	..... Sub. End.
"Mac" McGuire,	18	168	..... Sub. Tackle

Schedule and Score

Sept. 26, Lake Geneva A. C.....	at Rockford	..... 5..... 4
Oct. 3, Rochelle,	at Rockford	..... 29..... 10
Oct. 10, Rock Island	at Rockford	..... 44..... 10
Oct. 17, Elgin	at Elgin	..... 6..... 0
Oct. 24, West Aurora	at Aurora	..... 11..... 6
Oct. 31, East Aurora	at Rockford	..... 14..... 0
Nov. 7, Moline	at Moline	..... 18..... 6
Nov. 14, Sterling	at Rockford	..... 24..... 6
Nov. 26, Urbana	at Rockford	..... 12..... 24

BASKET BALL

First Team

Basket Ball proved to be not only an interesting but financially good winter sport during '08 and '09. A mighty fine schedule was arranged and the boys won all but three of their games, and one was more than made up for when the Wheaton boys were trimmed at Rockford. The boys owe much credit to the help of the second team men, who came out almost every night and went against the first team for the practice. The second team did not lose a single game to any outside team. Next year the team should be fairly good as there is plenty of material from the second team. At the close of the Hinsdale game there was \$100 in the treasury, which is unusually good for the basket-ball season. The schedule will help to tell the successful team the boys had.



Schedule First Team

Dec. 11, '08.....	54, at Armory.....	Beloit H. S. 23
Dec. 28, '08.....	22, at Armory.....	Alumni 50
Dec. 31, '08.....	51, at Armory.....	Alumni 34
Jan. 8, '09.....	25, at Wheaton....	Wheaton H. S. 47
Jan. 15, '09.....	35, at DeKalb.....	DeKalb H. S. 30
Jan. 22, '09.....	38, at Belvidere....	Belvidere H. S. 24
Jan. 29, '09.....	24, at Armory.....	DeKalb Normal 23
Feb. 5, '09.....	36, at Freeport....	Freeport H. S. 31
Feb. 12, '09.....	56, at Armory.....	Wheaton H. S. 22
Feb. 19, '09.....	38, at Oak Park....	Oak Park H. S. 35
Feb. 19, '09.....	22, at Oak Park.....	Joliet H. S. 30
Feb. 26, '09.....	40, at Sycamore....	Sycamore H. S. 26
March 5, '09.....	36, at Armory.....	Freeport H. S. 25
March 12, '09.....	43, at Armory.....	Sycamore H. S. 20
March 19, '09.....	62, at Armory.....	Belvidere H. S. 11
March 27, '09.....	45, at Armory.....	Hinsdale H. S. 17

Basket Ball, First Team



Brabrook

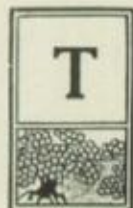
Rose (Coach)
F. Welsh

Dowdakin
Thomas (Capt.)

Crouse (Mgr.)
E. Johnson

C. Welsh

Second Team



THE R. H. S. second team made a record last season to be proud of. Besides practicing many days with the first team, to which is due in no small degree the success of that championship team, they played a goodly number of outside games. By winning them all they gained the undisputed secondary championship of the city and made Rockford doubly a victor over Belvidere and Freeport. Harry Johnson was chosen captain early in the season and was the most consistent member, as he was in all but one game.

THE SCHEDULE

Second Team

Dec. 28	29	I. N. G. 18
Jan. 29	55	North Ends 36
Feb. 12	45	Belvidere 2nds 11
Feb. 26	64	A. A. C. 18
March 5	39	Freeport 2nds 22
March 12	46	Sycamore 2nds 18
March 19	45	Belvidere 2nds 29
March 27	36	S. Rockford A. C. 12

Basket Ball, Second Team



	R. Thomas		R. Johnson
E. Hinchliff	H. Johnson	R. Welsh	E. Hefferan



Under the most careful coaching of Mr. Wooley the base ball team has shown fine form and progress this season. Several out of town games have been played and all were won except the Mt. Morris College game, which however proved interesting but disastrous to the boys.

Capt. Thomas has led the team most successfully and has developed a very fast infield including

Frank Thomas at third base, "Pezz" Graves as short stop, Schrom at second and "Bob" Thomas at first base. "Ecky" Johnson is a very fast fielder and is certainly a power to the team both in batting and in fast fielding.

The boys, although not yet through with the schedule, hope to win the majority of the games. Perry Graves as manager has arranged a schedule which any high school would be proud to have.

Base Ball Schedule

April 17, R. H. S. 8.....	B. B. C. 0.....	at Rockford.
April 24, R. H. S. 8.....	B. H. S. 5.....	at Beloit.
May 7, R. H. S. 9.....	Mt. M. C. 10.....	at Rockford.
May 15, R. H. S. 8.....	Beloit Academy 5.....	at Beloit.
May 21, R. H. S. 8.....	B. H. S. 6.....	at Rockford.
May 22, R. H. S. 0.....	Mt. M. C. 3.....	at Mt. Morris.
May 28, R. H. S. 6.....	Paw Paw 4.....	at Paw Paw.
May 29, R. H. S. 3.....	Plano, 1.....	at Plano.
June 4, R. H. S.	Beloit Academy	at Rockford.
June 5, R. H. S.	Evansville	at Evansville.
June 12, R. H. S.	Elgin	at Elgin.



R. H. S. Baseball Team



Tipple

Hadsall

Johnson
Blake

Schrom
Graves

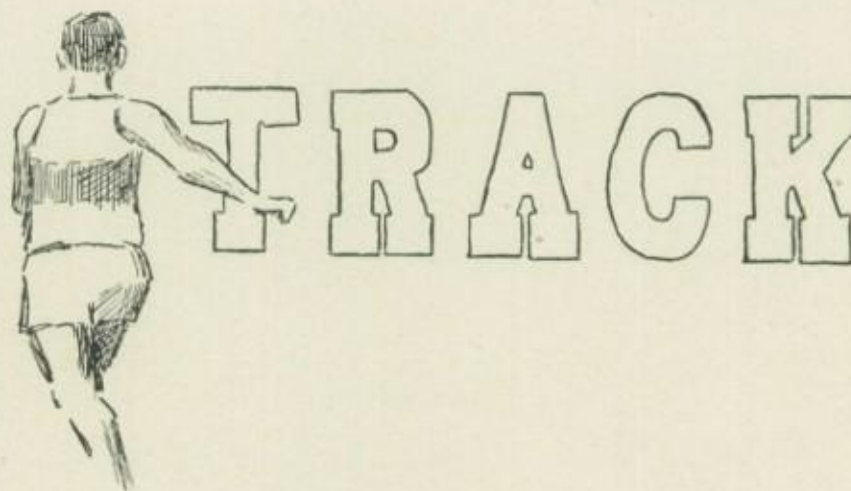
Kitteringham
R. Thomas
Capt.

McGaw

Kriechbaum

F. Thomas

Mr. Wooley



The Track Season

Capt. Brabrook and Coach Heth have worked faithfully with the track candidates and have developed some very fast men both in the distances and dashes. Frisbie, a senior, showed that he could cope with the best by defeating Carl Welsh, by a few inches in the mile on the day Freeport was beaten. If he had a few more years of school he would be the distance man to represent Rockford most surely. Hall and Brabrook are still vainly trying to beat each other in the shorter dashes. Brabrook has no equal in the hurdles in R. H. S. He also has the broad and high jumps practically to himself. Harry Johnson, who has shown remarkable form in the pole-vault would go much higher next year only he is "unluckily" a senior.

At the Beloit Interscholastic Rockford could not get many points. Capt. Brabrook managed to get a third in the hurdles and second in the high jump which netted R. H. S. only 3 points.

On May 29th the fast team from East Aurora High School met and defeated Rockford at the Driving Park. The meet was decided by the running of the relay which East Aurora won handily. By the absence of Chapman, Skinner and C. Welsh the team was greatly handicapped and Rockford probably would have won if these men had been there.

With very little of the season left Rockford has entered three men in Stagg's meet in Chicago, Hall Brabrook and Dowdakin.

R. H. S. Track Team



Armour	Woodward	Dowdakin	Hall	Heth (Coach)	
Frisbie	C. Welsh	Brabrook (Capt.)	Crouse	Skinner	Willoughby
Wormwood		H. Johnson		Cheney	

Winners of the "R"

Foot-Ball Team

ARTHUR HILDEBRAND, Captain.

ROBT. THOMAS.

RUSSELL CHAPMAN.

GEO. KITTINGHAM.

CLARENCE DOWDAKIN.

FRANK KEIG.

PERRY GRAVES.

"BROCK" BROWN.

"MAC" McGUIRE.

ROY OGILBY.

WALLACE OGILBY.

HALE MERSHON.

ROGER WELSH.

"DAN" TIPPLE.

Basket Ball Team

FRANK THOMAS, Captain.

RALPH BRABROOK.

CLARENCE DOWDAKIN.

CARL WELSH.

"ECKY" JOHNSON.

F. WELSH.

Track Team

RALPH BRABROOK, Captain.

CLARENCE DOWDAKIN.

REA FRISBIE.

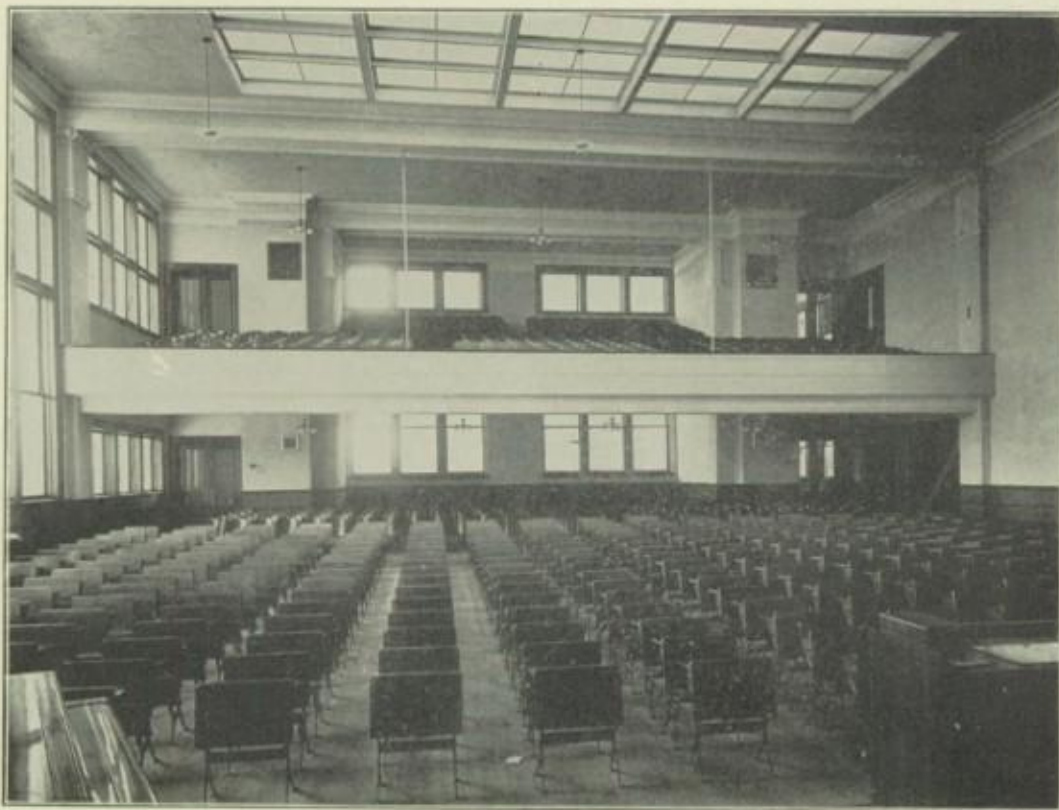
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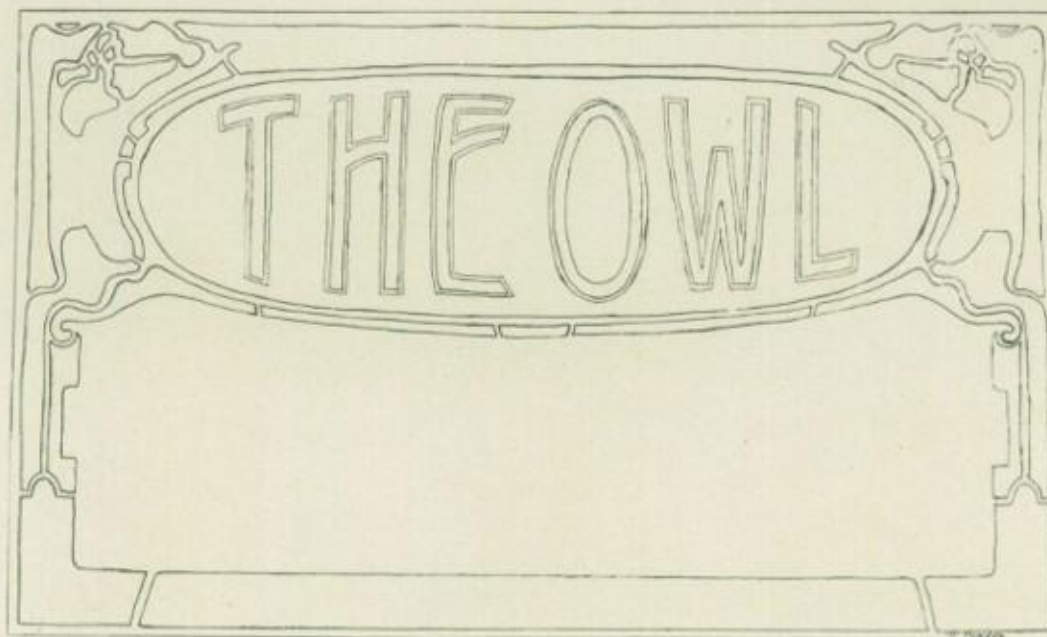
HARRY JOHNSON.

ROY CROUSE.

FERGUSON WORMWOOD.



AUDITORIUM



Good luck! best wishes! to the Owl for 1909-'10. With this last word the present keepers hand over the cage to their most worthy successors, the Juniors. May the Annual with all its improvements prepare the way for a better Owl next year. We are sure that R. H. S. would not oppose an increase in price that would help to raise the standard of the paper. The possibilities of our high school are great, and the students should appreciate that fact.

In the past year the size of the Owl was increased four pages. A new cover and frequent cuts

occasioned much favorable comment. The support of the student body has been excellent; the subscription list was larger than ever before, and each issue has been received with an enthusiasm that has been gratifying and encouraging. Considering all these points, and the general attitude of the school toward the paper, we feel that this has been one of the most successful years in the history of the Owl. We sincerely hope that as each succeeding class closes its volume, the same sentiment may be expressed.
—V. W.

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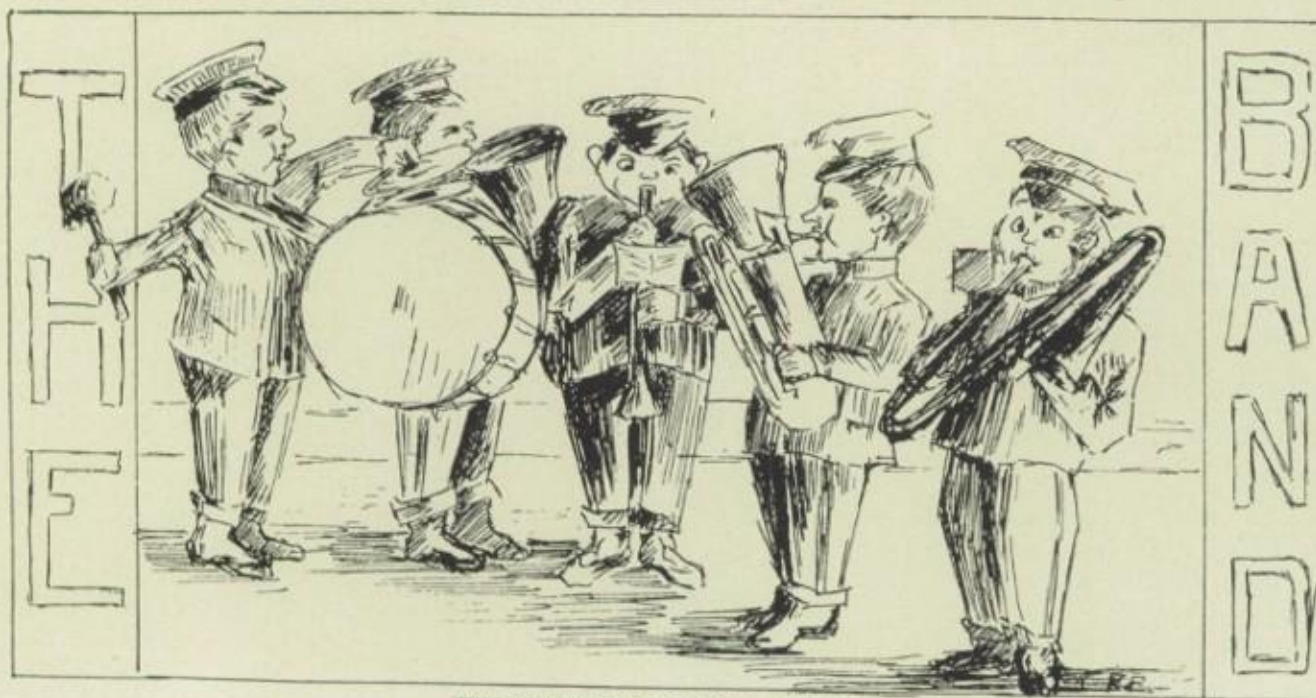
ROCKFORD HIGH SCHOOL BAND

The High School Band

The band has had several changes of members during the year, due to the fact that some of the boys left school. It makes the running of a band much harder under such circumstances, but the boys who were with the organization throughout the year did good work, and much praise is due them for their untiring efforts to make this feature of our school life worth while. There will be about eight or nine vacancies filled by September. Penn Worden and Eugene Garey will graduate and Evans Kern, who has been doing post graduate work, will not return. The prospects are bright for a better band next year than we have had before.

The boys have played on the following occasions this year:

Foot-ball games.
Basket-ball games.
Base-ball games.
Athletic rallies.
Sons of Veterans' Benefit at Coliseum.
Memorial Day for G. A. R.
Concert at Armory, Benefit of Band and Boys' Club.
Elks' Minstrel Show at Opera House.
Northern Illinois Teachers' Association meeting at High School.
State Manual Training meeting at High School.
Freeport-Rockford Debate.
Boys' and Girls' Debate.
Assembly Program at High School.



THIS IS ALL DUE TO JOHN T. HAIGHT



MANDOLIN CLUB



GLEE CLUB

The Science Club

Rockford High School has always felt the need of an organization in which students, who were not interested in the gridiron or the rostrum, might spend their time in the study of some particular branch of scientific work. To meet this need the Science Club was organized. This club is composed of four sections, namely: The Home Economics, the Engineering, the Outing, and the Wireless Telegraphy. Any person in the school is eligible to one or more of these divisions. The instructors whose departments are represented in these divisions act as censors. The president of the club is elected each year by the members. Besides this each section has a presiding chairman. The sections hold individual meetings once every week. The meetings of the Science Club are called once every month. Mr. Chauncey Calkins, president, deserves much praise for the success of the organization.



HOME ECONOMICS CLUB

The Home Economics Section

The purpose of this section is to discuss ideas or topics of interest in the household, which cannot be taken up in the regular course on this subject. Some of the meetings are in form of demonstrative lectures, while others are science visits to places of interest. Mr. Norris and Miss Jenks are the teachers in charge of the meetings. Melicent King was appointed chairman.

The Outing Section

Lectures, laboratory work, field trips, picnics! Sounds good, doesn't it? That's just what the Outing section stands for. Everything that is interesting in the great field of nature. This work embraces microscopic study of small plants and animals, birds and their habits, making collections of flowers, plants and insects, and field studies of plants and plant societies. With forty active members under the able leadership of Miss Brown and Miss Waldo the Outing section has accomplished a great deal. This club is one out of a favored few in the United States that receive complimentary subscriptions to "Country Life" for work contributed to their Nature Department. Wilford Johns is chairman.

The Engineering Section

The study of manufacturing and constructive engineering were the subjects treated by this section under the direction of Mr. Wooley. One of the most interesting as well as most valuable subjects taken up was the steel industry. Mr. Wooley is an authority on this and did his subject full justice. Phillips Armour is chairman.

The Wireless Telegraphy Section

This section was instrumental in erecting the wireless station at our school and is porthy of praise for this act. The members have spent their time in the study of the principles of the different wireless systems and have also discussed the improvements from time to time as they have been developed. Most of the members now have sets of their own, which they have learned to operate successfully. The value of such training cannot be overestimated, and as a result a number of expert operators should be started in their careers. Mr. Norris and Miss Glenny are the instructors who have assisted this section with Chauncey Calkins, chairman.

—W. E. J.



The Art League

I was a very new freshman. As I stood in the hall on my first Wednesday afternoon, I felt very lonesome and rather envious. A chance remark had put me in this mood, as I had listened to a jolly girl saying to one of her companions: "Oh, Joy! It's League Day. Let's hurry."



THE STUDENTS
ART LEAGUE.

How I wished I could find a place where I would be glad to go! Just then, as if in response to a wireless message, a Senior asked me if I would like to go with her to the Student's Art League. Would I? We had very soon climbed several flights of stairs and reached room 60; a place that later came to be a room of revelation and inspiration.

As we entered, I saw about forty students quietly laughing and talking. Soon they began to arrange their chairs in a semi-circle about a screen. While they were doing this the instructor, Miss Barningham, observed my presence and, coming to me, cordially welcomed me. Later I learned from the students of her helpfulness, her cordiality, her inspiration, and of the realism she gave to the life work.

Suddenly I felt a thrill of astonishment. From out of a smaller room came a Chinaman. Three girls placed him in a characteristic attitude. I later learned that they were the pose committee, and that they had successfully presented to the League many fine poses, among them being A French Lady, An Old-Fashioned Girl, and several athletic poses. As soon as the model was posed, a spirit of work became apparent. Measurements were taken and applied to the quickly outlined sketches. I noticed that many mediums were used. Some were making black and white sketches in ink, pencil, or charcoal; while others worked with colored chalks, or crayons, or water colors.

As I looked about the studio, I saw on the walls and on the easels many beautiful and interesting life and object studies and sketches. They gave an inspiring and artistic surrounding. A member handed me a book that contained the constitution and roll call. The officers

were a President, Vice President, Secretary, and Treasurer. The constitution stated that anyone who was or had been a student in the drawing department was eligible to membership. It stated also that the organization was a purely student body. Miss Brantingham acted as advisor and instructor, but the real management she had put in the hands of the students. Then I saw a carefully kept list of the absence, and learned that a ten cent fine was paid. This revenue was used in giving parties, spreads, picnics and other social events. But there was still another use. A fine screen for use in posing had been presented to the studio by the League from this same fund.

The business meeting was now called. It was carried on in a fine manner and was followed by a short parliamentary drill.

I walked among the students and saw how individuality and strength were induced and encouraged by working from the living model, under helpful suggestions and directions skillfully given by Miss Brantingham.

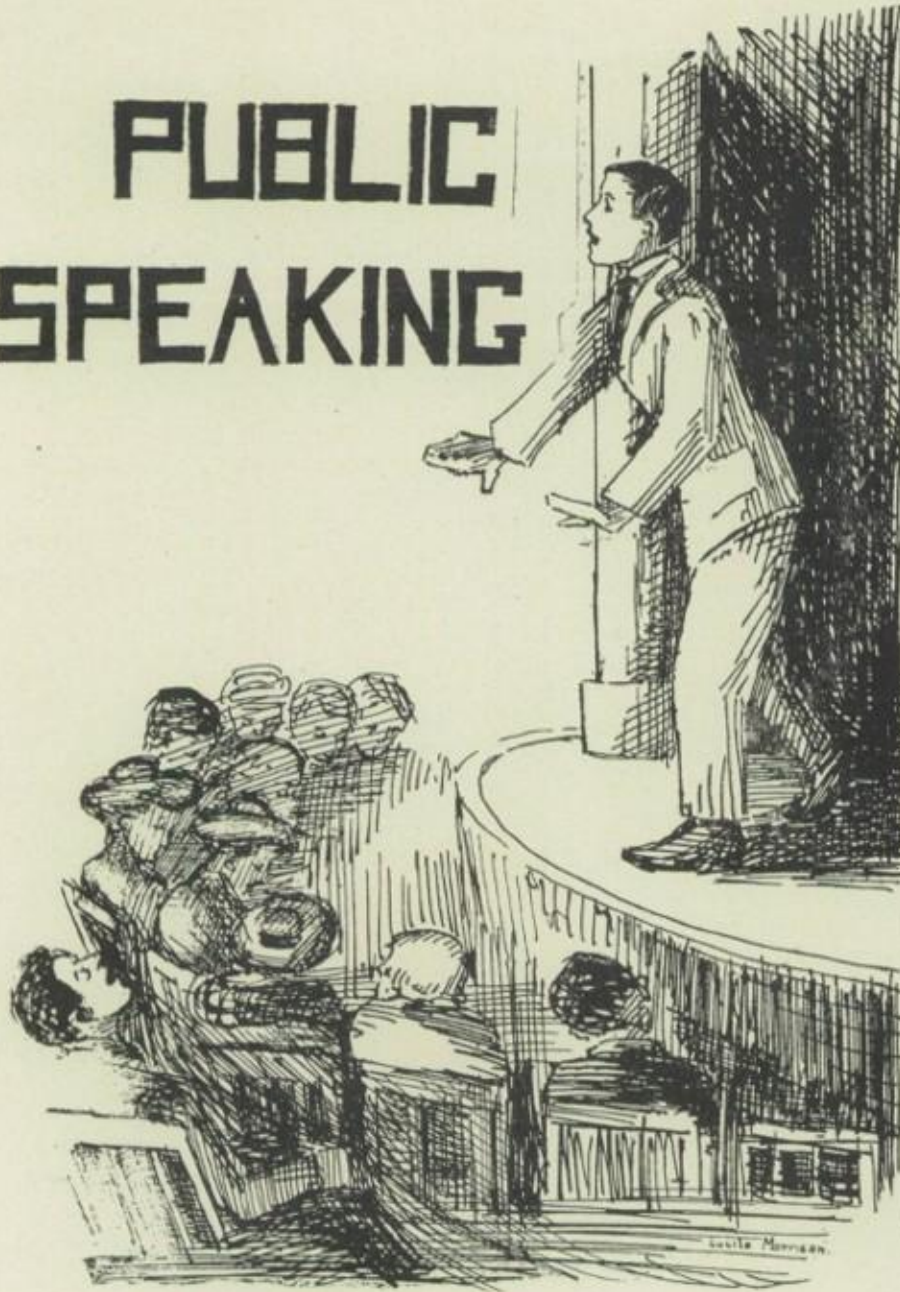
At the close of the hour, the students stopped their work, which had seemed such pleasure. I was cordially invited to join, and now I no longer felt that I was a lonesome Freshman.

As I leave Rockford High School, after having belonged to the Students' Art League for four years, I think of it as one of the most beneficial and enjoyable organizations to which I have belonged. With other past and present members, I wish the League still further advancement, success and strength for the future.

—L. G. W.



PUBLIC SPEAKING



The Phillipic Literary Society

The Phillipic Literary Society was organized for the benefit of the girls of the High. The membership has increased until at the present time the number of active workers is many. In the matter of success the society feels very proud. Much improvement has marked the effort of the year.

When the club was first organized, it was decided that, while it was designed primarily for literary ends, the work of debating would not be excluded. As a result the field of mental activity has been pursued quite vigorously by the members. The

success in this line is best proved by the fact that a team of young ladies administered a crushing defeat to a team of young men representing the R. H. S. Debating Club.

The other lines of work engaged in were original orations, composition, stories and reading, parliamentary drill and extemporaneous speaking as well.

On the whole the club has experienced a very successful year. The wishes are many that this may be the record in the years to come.



GIRLS' LITERARY SOCIETY

R. H. S. Debating Society

One of the primary purposes of this society was the entering of new fields of contest for the honor of the school, but the foundation was far deeper than this. Realizing that the value of making a good platform appearance has an effect on every phase of life, whether that life be private or public, special attention has been paid to careful preparation of the Thursday evening debates, from which great good has been received.

It is a gratifying fact that visible fruits of the society's labors have been shown in the contests thus far undertaken. On December 18, a team com-

posed of Messrs. Shanhouse, Hay and Carpenter met Freeport in the Beloit College League contest, and though they did exceptionally well for Rockford's first interscholastic contest, met defeat at the hands of the more experienced Freeport team.

After the Freeport debate, negotiations were immediately set on foot for a debate with West Aurora. On March 26, a team composed of Messrs. Anglemire, Shanhouse and Youngs met and defeated the West Aurora trio. This was the first forensic victory for the school in many years.



BOYS' DEBATING SOCIETY

ROCKFORD-FREEPORT DEBATE*Rockford High School Auditorium, Friday, Dec. 18, 1908*

Resolved, That the United States Government should enlarge the navy by an annual addition of at least three battleships, or their equivalent, for the next ten years.

Affirmative—Freeport:

Carl Schoeffel Daniel Breed
Alfred Wagner

Negative—Rockford:

Ralph S. Hay Hiram Carpenter
Louis Shanhouse

Won by Freeport.



T. YOUNGS H. CARPENTER
R. HAY L. SHANHOUSE W. ANGLEMIRE

ROCKFORD-WEST AURORA DEBATE*Rockford High School Auditorium, Friday Eve., March 26, 1909*

Resolved, That further restriction of immigration is undesirable.

Affirmative—Rockford:

Thomas Youngs Walter Anglemire
Louis Shanhouse

Negative—West Aurora:

Hobart Haviland James Craig
Philip Frazer

Won by Rockford

ORATORY

CHICAGO UNIVERSITY
Interscholastic Declamation Contest

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A Parody on the "Vampire"

Which Appeared in the Last Issue of the "Owl"

February the first, 19—, there appeared in the San Francisco Herald the following notice:

Sailed: Pacific Mail S. S. Siberic. Destination: Samoa.

The Siberic is the first of the Pacific Mail line to be equipped with a Marconi wireless outfit. Walter Wallace, the operator, is the hero of the recent collision in New York harbor.

Nothing more was ever heard of the Siberic.

Residents of the Pacific coast will undoubtedly recollect the reports of the terrific typhoon of Feb., 20th, 19—, in the Polynesian Islands in which many ships were lost. It has been supposed that the Siberic went down with all hands during that terrible storm.

The wavelets lapped ceaselessly at the misshapen bundle lying half in the water, half on the white sandy beach. A gentle breeze softly fanned the uncovered portions of the unprepossessing mass. The ever strengthening rays of the tropical sun beat down hotter and hotter on the exposed object. A vulture winging slowly over the treetops, seeming to spy something edible, dropped straight down to investigate but suddenly turned away and made off. The figure had opened its eyes, moved, and sunk back again. It was a human beeing.

Some hours passed. Again the figure moved and after several attempts, succeeded in drawing itself clear out of the water, at which the sea sank six

inches. By the uniform the person might have been seen to be some minor officer aboard ship probably on shore leave now. After a reviving rest of a few hours on the ice cold sand, he staggered weakly to his feet and disappeared, (in a puff of smoke), into the forest of palm and cocoanut trees.

His first action was to pick up a fallen cocoanut, crack it gently, (did you ever try to crack a cocoanut in a weakened condition?) on a stone, eat the milk and drink the meat. In a search for water he found a fair sized spring of clear, cool water bubbling out of the air, of course. The good points of this spring were: It bubbled pure water five minutes, ginger ale five; grape juice, five; orangeade, five; ten minutes of malted milk, and three periods of half an hour each it bubbled soapy water.

After he had tried them all, especially the soapy water, he bethought himself of the size of his island and (in his still weakened condition), climbed a little cocoanut palm (seven feet in diameter and 200 feet high), from which he had a fair view of the surrounding (where else could it be), land and water. As nearly as he could estimate with his instruments which he found in the top of the tree, (they must have blown there) the island was about 20 minutes journey (eight by street car) long. Entirely encircling the island, in every direction on all sides, and even touching the water in some places, was a coral (bead) reef. At this moment an odd fact caught (and held) his attention: the trees (of which there were none) at the narrow end (of the island) were dry and withered.

Not bothering his head about this, however, after freeing his attention, he descended and at the same time came down. In a sheltered cove, covered with canvas, he found among the rocks, after ordering the tide down, some edible mussels. These he opened with his sheath knife, which he found in the pocket of his sheath gown, and found—poor. Helped out by a couple dozen cocoanuts and a gallon of gingerale, they made up his midday and evening meals.

With the slowly falling Arctic night he lay down on a mossy (does moss grow under palms?) bank under a lowering tree, never fearing molestation (It's funny that tree wasn't afraid of Vamp old boy).

He awoke with a snore(t), clapped his hand on his throat, (new way of applauding), and brought it away with two drops of grape juice on it. An odor as of a soda fountain hung in the air filling him with a nameless fear (must have been broke). He was up with the dawn, hastened to the spring, and was horrified to see there in his own reflection half a dozen incisions a foot deep in his throat.

He spent the second day as he had passed the first: "capturing" mussels and knocking down cocoanuts. For this rather strenuous hunt he first trained a wild mustang, which he caught flying around, to dash in after a retreating wave; hook a chain about the ferocious mussel and drag him to shore. Here an obliging eagle cracked it open by dropping it from a mile or two in the air. Growing tired of knocking down cocoanuts he trained a mussel to do it for him. He also tried the soapy water on his clothes.

As it was growing late he selected a convenient palm and settled down to sleep in the lower branches (the lower branches of a palm tree are about 92 ft. above ground).

Again he awoke to smell that terrible odor of the soda fountain and to see—17—123? He fainted. In the morning he found himself almost submerged in the spring sopping up soda water as fast as he could and, in the middle of his breast were—some more incisions.

He staggered wildly to his feet. He felt weak from loss of grape juice;—yet there was not a drop of it around (orangeade was flowing). That same nameless dread came over him and he butted out.

After he had become more calm he started on a tour of exploration, in which he was quite successful for he found a spring (of salt water), some green cocoanuts, and a place where the coral reef was not over 10 miles from shore. Gradually as he travelled, the trees and bushes grew stunted, the whole atmosphere seemed different, and finally he came to a rocky promontory absolutely devoid of vegetation. There in the rocks out of a hole seemed to issue a familiar blighting breath. With his disquieting thoughts in full blast (furnace), he turned and hastened away.

As evening approached, what with the memory of his two nights and of the day's experience heavy on him, he grew positively panic-stricken at the thought of spending another night on the island. Looking out to sea he was almost knocked down by an idea which struck him, and he set off down the beach to the point he had noticed, plunged in, and swam the 10 miles to the reef.

When darkness fell he was comfortably ensconced in a sheltered nook on some sharp rocks, where, after a few minor frights, he fell asleep. But not to peace. He dreamt he was imprisoned in a drug store after having drunk some grape juice, that some people there were thrusting straws down his throat, trying to get the grape juice; they were killing him. He knew no more till he awoke. This time there were two incisions directly over his heart.

He sat in to reason the thing out. Something was pursuing him, sapping his life (grape juice), killing him. He knew where it lived. He would seek it out or die in the attempt.

The swim to the island took only two strokes and soon he was on his way down the beach, following his nose. At last he came to the barren place with its cave. Just as he was walking up to the hole he stumbled and fell over an idea. Turning around he came to a turnip tree, picked some fruit came back and—threw them recklessly into the opening, knowing that a vampire can't suck grape juice out of a turnip. Then he stumbled on to another idea: lay down, and—turned up his toes. Reflecting on his resolution, however, although he could have foiled the vampire by sleeping with his toes turned up, he picked up a turnip and walked squarely to the hole.

A glance into the depths, a screaming yell of terror, a spasmodic hurling of a turnip, a figure running with superhuman speed, a splash in the water, a man swimming with unsealing eyeballs straight out to see.

The following appears in the report of the commander of the U. S. revenue cutter Rockford.

"On Feb., 24th, 19—, picked up, a man swimming, almost exhausted, raving mad, something seemed to be the matter with his eyes, as he gave no indications of seeing us. Talked incoherently, tearing at his breast, about vampires. Upon examination found three sets of deep incisions, in throat, middle breast, and over heart respectively. A peculiar odor as of a soda fountain, clung to him. Nothing to identify him except a tattooed design of a wireless outfit and the letters W. W. The man died soon after.

"Tried an experiment suggested by the eminent German doctor, Herr Rausmitem, namely: to take a picture of the pupil of his eye. One man has been made totally blind, and several others partially so, by looking at the picture. It appears on Page

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Note—This parody was written by the same person who wrote the original so there will be no hard feelings caused by it.

The Editor.



REVERIES OF A QUARTETTE



INSIDE VIEWS

The Bittersweet of Boyhood

"I'll give you two 'caniles' for the tick tack."

"Uh-uh, I gota use it tonight."

"What for?" I interrogated.

"Me and the Courtland street bunch, we all got 'em. Promise not to squeal and I'll put you wise to the game."

At this juncture the conversation with my neighbor in the chancel of the Emmanuel choir came to a close. The organ struck the opening notes of the recessional.

We rose and when with a martial tread and outward show of calmness passing the altar rail I overheard a kindfaced elderly lady whisper to her companion, "Ain't they the little angels? Couldn't do anything bad, could they?" At last—it seemed hours—we had finished. Each beside his own locker waited to join in the chant of the "Amen" after the rector's benediction. Then all was confusion as each grabbed blindly for his coat with one hand, and for the innumerable buttons of his vestments with the other.

Soon we were outside. The pent-up spirits of two long hours found riotous vent in various and fantastic forms of vocal gymnastics; in the case of "Monkey" Ives and Bill Rhodes the culmination, by fistic encounter, of an old feud.

I soon found myself under the band-stand in the park, surrounded by the Courtland street "bunch," who after many queries as to my ability to "keep

mum" told me of their daring nocturnal plots and adventures. On this occasion the victim of their plot was my teacher in the Courtland Street school, who was, in our childish minds, almost as abiding an element as that institution itself. She had lately taken unto herself a beau; not that this was in itself strange, but unprecedented in our short experience.

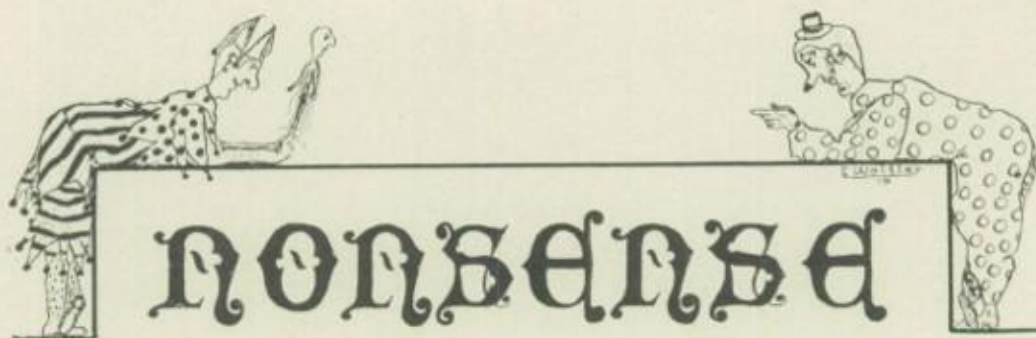
We, with light tread, bold mien and braggard sway advanced up the thoroughfare, on our way annihilating the Brown Street clan. On arriving at our point of destination a hurried consultation was held, in which it was decided that we should work by twos, but as there was an odd number and, as I was a new recruit my mettle needed testing, it was decreed by "Cucumber," the bully of the "bunch," that I should go last—and alone.

In a moment I was under the shelter of a nearby tree, holding in my hand a newly made tick-tack, which was a source of interest until, as I heard the ominous sound of a like instrument working on a window of the opposite side of the house, which was followed by a deathly quiet, I shook with fear. In a few moments another sounded nearer by, then a third, then a fourth, upon which I realized that, all too soon, my turn had come. My fear had steadily increased, my nerve decreased. With a weak-kneed, nervous step I approached my window, through the curtain of which a bright light tried to pierce. I

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Mme. Becky Quist's Beauty Answers

Jones.—The best thing to keep hair curly on rainy days is greasy tallow.

R. H-gh-s.—Judging from your picture, the best way to make your face attractive is to keep your mouth closed so the face can be seen.

C. A. C.—The sportiest shoes of the season are black with red stitching and laces.

H. B-tl-r.—For the latest styles in hairdressing see my booklet. Postpaid for 10c.

F. Tr-t-e.—To get rid of a pasty complexion put more water with the paste.

T. R-a.—I have the newest thing on the market in ingrowing switches. Send a 2c stamp for particulars.

H. H-rn-r.—If your shoes stick when going on use a greasy shoe horn.

C. B.—To get rid of a Brown complexion melt a cup of cold cream and drink on retiring.

M. R-g.—Beating Ruggs is helpful in reducing flesh.

M. T.—If you intend to dye your hair, a vivid green would go well with your complexion.

P. W-rd-n.—High heels would materially increase your height but we advise you against them. Take the stretching cure.

Virginia.—The best remedy for chapped hands is this lotion applied after washing: An ounce of rosewater with a few Crumbs of camphor in.

R-nd-rs-n.—The proper method for manicuring the nails is: First, soak them half an hour in warm soapy water, then trim with some wire clippers and file smooth. The next operation is to shovel the accumulations under the nails away, then cleanse thoroughly with a hose, after which Blue Ribbon brass polish may be used to advantage.

F. T-yl-r.—If you will send me a sample of your hair I will send by return mail some puffs warranted not to fade or crock.

Rob't T.—You had better see a physician, I can not prescribe for you. From your account I imagine that you walk to school without enough stops to smoke.

Marg C-a-dl-r.—See less of boy or cultivate your acquaintanceship.

The Goop at Rockford High School

*At fire drills I raise a row—
Straight down the stairs I crashes,
But when a real one comes along
They'll find me in the ashes.*



*I hate the lunch-room grub I eat,
I do not like to grumble,
But merely wish for something else,
While with my fork I fumble.*



*I like school best on Monday,
'Cause that's Assembly Day,
And Mr. Briggs beside his desk
Says, "Children let us pray."*

Things Which Ought to be Stopped

Brockden Brown: His walk.
Camlin: From growing fat.
Lundholm: From growing skinny.
Randerson: From wearing checks.
Reber: From dying his hair.
Trescott: His mouth.
Wormwood: From jumping 5 ft. 6.
White: Her A's.
The Bell: From ringing in assembly.
Garey: Ditto.
Worden: From using his Penn.
Wolcott: Her giggle.
M. Petritz: From acting foolish.
M. Norton: From getting excited when the circus comes to town.
Weingartner: From collecting money.

Our License

(Made out especially for the R. H. S. Annual Board)

Whereas: The Annual must be made interesting, and

Whereas: Questionable means must sometimes be used, therefore, be it

Resolved: That the contributors, one and all, to the R. H. S. Annual for the year 1909 be allowed to:

1. Use bad English.
2. Be excused from all classes during the last month.
3. Make slams.
4. Swear at the engraver and printer.
5. In fact, to do anything they please.



FACULTY

A Prophecy

The untimely death of Mr. Briggs has just been announced. While climbing a flagpole to get the 1919 banner down he fell and broke his neck.

The sad news has just been received that Miss Morse, while looking at one of the complicated figures on the board in room 43, suddenly became cross-eyed.

Miss Giddings has just been engaged as stage director by Charles Froham.

Miss Clark is now agent for LaBlanche face powder.

Miss Duffy is going to be chosen the physical director for the girls.

Miss Waldo is coming to a sad end. On one of her outing trips she is going to fall in a brook and be drowned.

Miss Ritchie will strike it rich.

Miss Hunter is about to make a trip to Africa on a hunting expedition.

Miss Etta Brown will soon discover the fourth dimension.

Mr. Rose will rise rapidly by discovering a self-rising pancake flour.

Mr. Haupt will be beheaded by his own buzz-saw.

Hon. Wm. Johnson says that people should remember forever. His doctrine is, Remember that forever and ever and 365 days beyond.

Agnes Brown is engaged in developing a new method of dry farming on the North Platte River, Colorado.

Harriet Vincent is now a structural engineer and is at present constructing a sub-tunnel under the Minnehaha River.

A. C. Norris is now posing as a subject for H. O. Company's advertisement for Force, the new breakfast food guaranteed to make you smile.

Harvey G. Hatch has just defeated Bobby Lightbody for the world's featherweight championship. Harvey "weighed in" at 117 pounds, ring-side.

Mr. Ludens is now editor of the Guilford Township News, which has the enormous subscription list of 176.

Charlie C. Gordon has recently developed a new process in color photography. This is a great aid in English as it brings out the greens prominently.

Elizabeth Corcoran is spending her time in spreading the doctrine of "The Beneficial Effects of Walking."

Miss Brantingham has just accepted a position as leading art critic of "The World".

Mr. Hamilton has resigned his position as instructor and will enter a business career preparatory to settling down. It is understood that Miss Gleny will spend the rest of her years listening to the Robin's song.

Lloyd D. Heth is the defendant in a damage suit for stepping on a "Fresh" at a dance.

Mrs. Thomas is spending the winter with English relatives and has been quite converted to the English customs.

Miss Ethel Vincent has just made her first appearance as star in a musical comedy written for her, entitled "The Little French Doll".

Miss Jenks is now putting her skill in cookery to practical use. Married.

Miss Cation is filling Miss Jenks' position nobly, but it is understood it will not be for long.

Mr. Burnett has been seen in the streets in Chicago writing cards in his little cage.

Mrs. Stevens is now living in retirement, much to the relief of hall-walkers and seniors.

Miss Eddy has deserted the ranks of teachers to advocate the latest face preparations to her suffering, abused sisters.

Mr. Wooley has become a successful sheep raiser.

Miss Putnam is still presiding over room 2, for the Freshmen have found her indispensable.

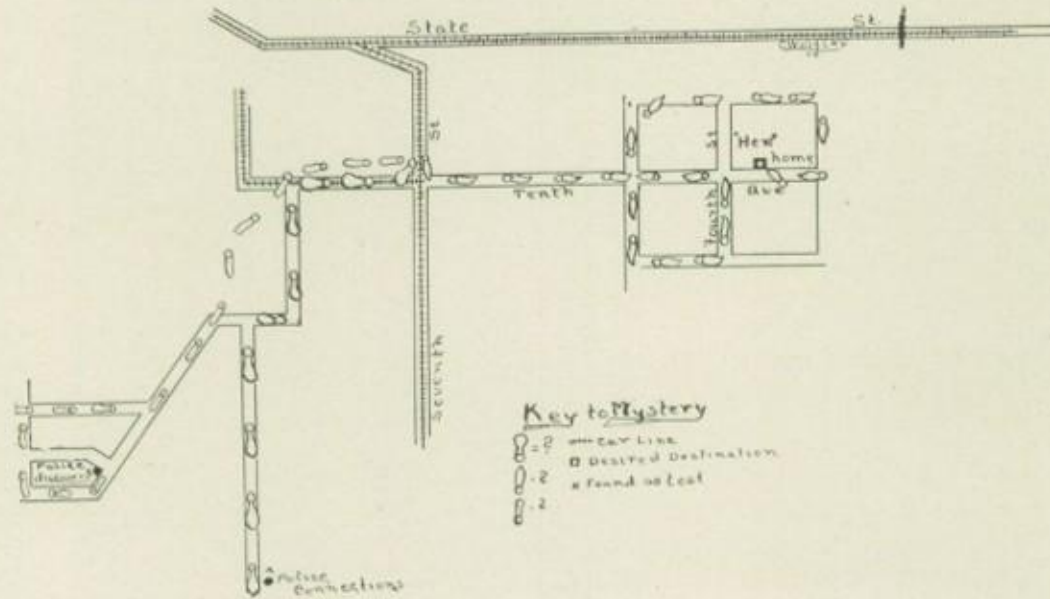
Mr. Haight is now devoting his whole time to the proper upbringing of that "Boy at Home".

Miss Dobson is suffering from injuries inflicted by a recent conflict with a Latin pony.

Miss Pierpont is now teaching in a private school, one "pupil" enrolled.

Herr Stedinger has become an ardent Flynnite, goes without breakfast, and has actually reduced his weight.

FACULTY PUZZLE





THE LUNCH ROOM

THIS IS THE SPOT WHERE MANY OF THE WOMEN OF THE CITY OFFICIATE EVERY WEEK AS HOSTESSES. THEY HELP TO SUPPLY MANY OF THE HUNGRY WANTS OF THE STUDENT BODY. MISS PARSONS DESERVES CREDIT FOR THE ABLE WAY IN WHICH IT IS CONDUCTED.

The Four Year Campaign in Search of Knowledge at R. H. S.

Freshman—Was ushered up to room 2 in state, in fact nearly all the boys in school assisted in my triumphal entry. Soaked up some English, Algebra, Physiography and Latin.



Sophomore—Was appointed usher for the new arrivals (by myself). Guess I acquitted myself nobly; broke two two-by-fours and any number of lath. Am getting quite (self)important here. Reached Geometry and Caesar!!! Headquarters in room 12.



Junior—Much more (self)important in room 10; but when I struck the auditorium, splash! squelched. Wonder if I'll ever be a Senior? Was introduced to Cicero, also Herrn Stedinger and Norris. Strenuous.



Senior—I am so (self)important that I'm ready to bust, burst (I beg your pardon, Mrs. Stevens). And it's no snap editing the Annual either! I know for the editor told me. It's been a glorious year any way. Under the beneficent sway of Miss Morse.



"YES TEACHER I HAD
TO GO TO A FUNERAL
YESTERDAY"

The Monthly Gloom

(The student's favorite.)


This publication has the widest circulation of any periodical in the High School; claiming almost 1,000 copies an issue. **Absolutely free.** Every pupil in school receives one, sometimes, even, one is sent home. It contains criticisms on essays at different subjects.

Probably the most pertinent and widely read production of the school, it is especially interesting to the parents and older members of the family, although it is not always exhibited at home. Semi-annually there is a special number published with additional matter. "Of the students, by the students, and for the students."

Mr. Briggs, Ed. Miss Morse, Ass't.

Miss Foster, Business Mgr.

The various teachers, reporters.

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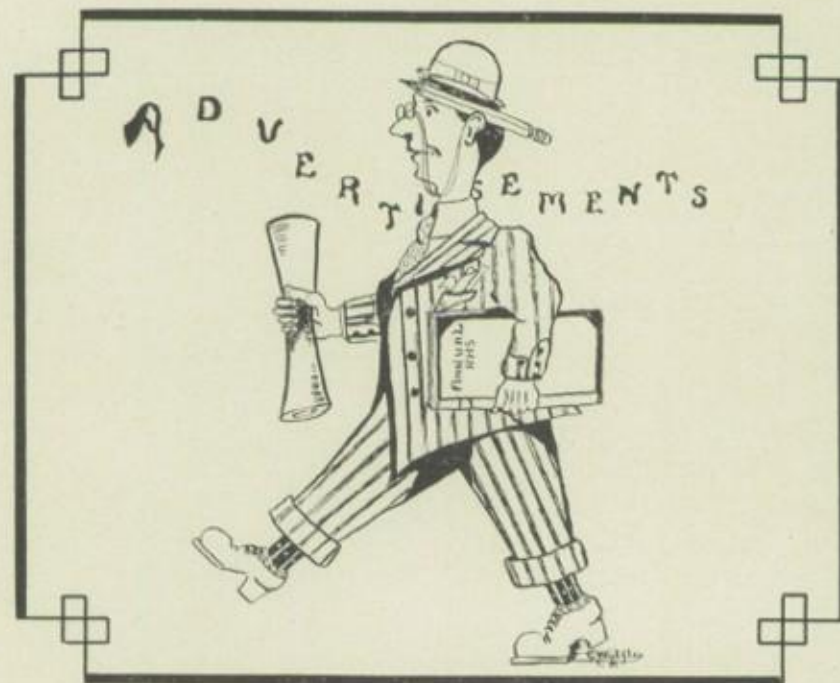
Rockford High School

Month of

First Year	Grade	Second Year	Grade
Algebra	Geometry
Latin	Cæsar .....	.....
English	German .....	.....
Civil Government	English .....	.....
Physiography	Greek History .....	.....
Physiology	Roman History .....	.....
Commercial Arith	Botany .....	.....
Penmanship	Bookkeeping .....	.....
Manual Training	Accounting .....	.....
Drawing	Manual Training .....	.....
		Drawing .....	.....
Third Year		Fourth Year	
Solid Geometry	Advanced Algebra .....	.....
Cicero	Pl. Trigonometry .....	.....
Greek	Virgil .....	.....
German	Greek .....	.....
English	German .....	.....
Modern History	English .....	.....
Zoology	U. S. History .....	.....
Physics	Economics .....	.....
Stenography	Chemistry .....	.....
Manual Training	Astronomy .....	.....
Oratory	Stenography .....	.....
Domestic Science	Commercial Geog. .....	.....
Home Economics	Commercial Law .....	.....
Sewing	Manual Training .....	.....
		Pedagogy .....	.....

A—Excellent.
B—Satisfactory.
C—Unsatisfactory.
D—Failure.

C. P. BRIGGS,
Principal.



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This is to advertise that not all the advertising space in the advertising section of this advertising publication is filled with advertisements of advertising advertisers; but that part of the advertising space is filled with advertisements advertising our much advertised school (and inmates) mixed in with the advertised number of jokes and slams. Therefore: We hereby advertise that the foregoing advertiser's advertising here advertised advertisements be read as advertised

THE DIPLOMAT

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"Oh, yes! Come upstairs and tell me about it. I want to talk to you about it."

Dick followed, wondering what had happened. She seemed to be in a predicament similar to the one he had been in. Would Fate turn around and smile on her as it had on him? Surely it must. He found himself very earnestly wishing it would, but what was more, if she was not to buy lots as she intended, this would be his last visit. Something must be done. He, at least, would do the utmost to remedy the cause of her misfortune. Oh! If only kind Fate would help him now!

As soon as they reached the parlor, Dick was introduced to Mrs. Maxwell. He liked her at once for she was a very pleasant and genial woman, and still more—she was Marion's mother.

When they were all seated Marion said: "Mother, this is the Mr. Barrington I was speaking about.

When I was at his office everything looked bright. Now that Mr. Barrington is here, I don't know how to explain; and it seems too bad that he has used his time for us to no end. You see," turning to Dick, "the day after I returned from your office, I lost my position; the factory closed down. As prospects of securing work are not very bright, our savings are needed, so we cannot invest in lots. But I thank you for the trouble you have gone to and should fate or good fortune once more smile upon us, I will let you know. But I am monopolizing all the talking. Tell us what you have done."

Dick told of his visit to Mr. Harrison and other following details. When he finished there was silence, broken only by the tick of the huge clock in the corner. She was wondering what the outcome of her present troubles would be and he—well, he was thinking about the hardest he had ever thought

Clothes make friends with the eye—

They stamp the wearer as a fellow of discriminating judgment and out of the ordinary good taste. We make clothes to fit young men's characteristics as well as their physique. Good clothes always score, whatever the game—business, social, recreation—that's the kind of tailoring we do.

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IN FACT EVERYTHING FOR THE SPORTSMAN

We have as a leader for the High School Boys and Girls, a \$2.00 Fountain Pen, that we sell for \$1.00 This we had made under our own name and is thoroughly guaranteed. Try one and you will be well pleased with it.

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— ROASTED AND FOR SALE BY —

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THE DIPLOMAT, Continued

before. Now was the chance of his life. Oh! why couldn't he think of something to help her!

Suddenly he slapped his knee with a rap that made his companions jump from their seats.

"Miss Maxwell, don't be surprised at what I am about to say. How would you like to go into partnership with me to be an agent and sell real estate? As you say, there seems to be no prospect of securing a position. Furthermore, it will be a novelty for you. I am sure you would succeed if you undertook it."

Marion argued that she had had no experience in that line. But after discussing it half an hour the affirmative won, and it was decided that the Maxwells move to Oakdale.

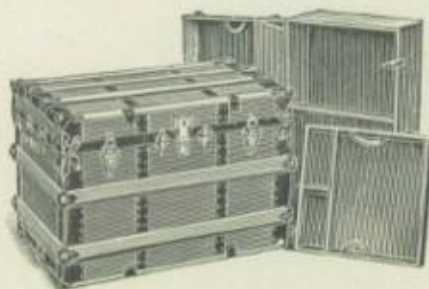
On his way home Mr. Dick kept congratulating himself on his diplomatic move. He would see her, be with her, and talk to her as much as he liked now.

When they had settled in their new office and begun selling the land, Dick said: "Miss Maxwell,

it is only proper that business partners call each other by their first names. So we will put aside all formalities and remember, we are in this for business."

Marion consented. She had done so quite frequently of late. She had begun to look to him, for he seemed so wise in worldly affairs. And he, wise old diplomat that he was, took advantage of this fact and had his own way. No one else would ever have suggested or even thought of such a plan of becoming intimate with a girl they admired. And here he was, even in such a short time, getting along so well in the affair that they were calling each other by their first names.

Business progressed rapidly. Oakdale became the talk of all home builders. Dick had to acknowledge that had it not been for Marion's advertising schemes, the business would never have progressed as fast as it had. Time and time again he felt her influence. When he admitted as much to her, she blushing replied that it was his supervision and



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¶ Purity and cleanliness are the two things we keep constantly in mind.

¶ Our ice cream is as good as can be made and it is just as clean and pure as it is good.

ROCKFORD,
ILLINOIS

PALACE OF SWEETS

(First girl)—“What did you do with that question about the age of Elizabeth?”

(Second girl)—“Left it out! I didn’t know how old she was”!

(Instructor)—“What was the style of the early Roman writers?”

(Student) (wakening from a nap)—“Oh—why— they wrote very pure English.”

STEWART & CO.
DRY GOODS,
113 & 115 * MAIN ST.

BROWN & COMPANY

FOOT FITTING SHOEMEN

ARTISTIC FOOTWEAR FOR MEN, WOMEN AND CHILDREN

SOUTHWEST CORNER STATE AND WYMAN STREETS

THE DIPLOMAT, Continued

general knowledge of the work that had made business a success.

One day Mr. Harrison telephoned to Dick to come over to his office. On entering he was given a cordial reception.

"Well, young man, you've made quite a success. Let's see, you've sold pretty near all the lots, haven't you?"

"Yes, all but three," responded Dick.

"Well then, we'll settle up; half is yours you know, and those three lots are yours for a home, for," he added jestingly, "you'll need one soon, eh?"

"Perhaps," was Dick's hesitating response. "But I wish to sincerely thank you for your great kindness to me, Mr. Harrison."

"You can," he rejoined. "I am getting old and I want some one to manage my estates for me. You have fully proven your ability to do this. Name your own salary. Do you accept?"

"At once. When shall I report?"

"Come around next week. You probably have a **very important engagement**, so I'll say good-day to my future manager. Success to you", was Mr. Harrison's final word.

Dick had spent many pleasant evenings at the Maxwell home. Marion played and sang for him and when Mrs. Maxwell had left the room, and they sat chatting, she repeatedly thanked him for the opportunity he had given her of making her mother comfortable. He had never spoken to her on the subject dearest to him.

On going up the steps the night he had talked to Mr. Harrison, he resolved to win or lose all. After the conversation had died out, Dick determined that now was his chance and that he would act accordingly. So seating himself beside her he said: "Our business partnership is ended, Marion."

"Ended!" she echoed.

"Yes, I settled up with Mr. Harrison today."

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ROCKFORD, ILLINOIS

Freshman—"What makes the leaves green?"

Senior—"When you are well read, little one, then you will know."

(First Apron)—"Where's my kneaded eraser?"

(Second Apron)—"Here; I needed it more'n you!"

¶ A young man said in our hearing the other day, "there is no use in my starting a Savings account, I am only getting \$8.00 a week."

¶ We did not have an opportunity to talk it over with him, but this thought came to us: suppose you were only getting \$7.00 a week you would still get along wouldn't you?

¶ Why not then, young man, deposit that \$1.00 a week to a Savings account that would

Pay you 3 per cent interest and compound it every six months

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THE DIPLOMAT, Concluded

The dismay portrayed on her face was joy to him.

"Ended," she said. "I'm so sorry."

"Marion, our business partnership is over, but let's begin another kind of partnership. I love you; I have loved you since I first saw you. It was the thought of you that led me to enter this deal. See what your inspiration has resulted in. Won't you consent to marry me and inspire me to do still greater things?"

Her look was half answer, and as he leaned toward her she softly assented saying:

"We have made successful business partners. I don't see why we should not make successful life partners, do you?"

And of course, he didn't.

E. L. G. '09.

(Heard in the Lunch room).

(First boy)—"What is worse than a worm in an apple?"

(Second boy)—"Two."

"No, a half of one."

Fire Insurance for sale. Inquire of Easton and Frisbie, Local Agents.

(Instructor)—"Miss —; Will you tell me whether Johnson came before or after Addison, and what difference it makes?"

(Student)—"I studied for two hours and couldn't find that it made any difference!"

Some Question in Physiology.

Student:—"Teacher, will you please give me full instructions for taking milk?"

Teacher:—"Milk should always be taken through the mouth."

TELEPHONES, MAIN 814, 862

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A couple of smart students:—"Give us a yard of milk."

The grocer pours out a yard of it on the counter.

Boys:—"Now wrap it up."

Student:—"I am a middle distance runner. Will you please tell me how I can remedy a running sore on my left leg?"

Teacher:—"Stop running."

CARTY-DEVER CO.

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**Finest Sugar Cured Ham and Bacon
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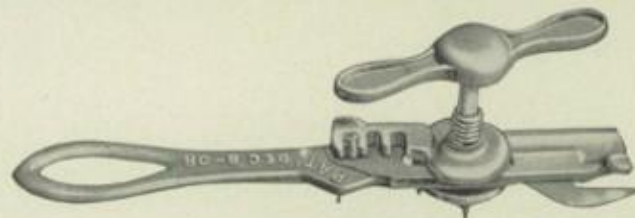
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When in a hurry to open your vegetable can?
With the Chick Can Opener you need never curse,
And no dressing of wounds by the hospital nurse.
Necessity is the mother of invention, they say:
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Will be pleased to see you at all times. ——— Our aim always to please.
Nothing but the best merchandise can be found here.

THE BITTERSWEET OF BOYHOOD

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grasped the nail, placed the nicked spool against the pane, then with a determined zest I jerked the connecting cord. The effect was overwhelming. A huge black form loomed close before my bewildered gaze—my ears rang with the (to me) deafening clangor of the tick-tack—I felt myself held fast! After a frantic struggle, during which both my antagonist and myself literally “bit the dust,” I yielded to a grip of steel.

“Well, well. No; you needn’t try to get away. I’m used to handling young fellows like you. I used to be a sheriff. Yep, sheriff. Guess maybe I’d better take you in the house while I telephone down. I know just how to fix you.” These words, uttered in a deep, guttural tone were the last straw that broke my already overwrought feelings, yet I mustered all my courage and in spite of my fear began to appreciate the oddity of the experience.

With one of his hands firmly gripping the back

of my collar, my adversary led me a prisoner into the presence of my beloved teacher who sat enthroned on the sofa, alone. She had always struck terror to my heart as she gazed with big, black eyes over her eyeglasses, but never before had she inspired me with such overwhelming awe. We faced each other several moments, her face expressing reproof, and triumph; mine, sullen anger and disgrace. Then followed a quick series of abrupt questions concerning my companions, which I answered doggedly with honorable prevarication; and also about my instrument of the noise-producing elements; which I extracted from my pocket with difficulty, as it was buried beneath a conglomerate mass of marbles, tops, cords, fish hooks, and other sundry implements of barter. I carefully explained the process of manipulation, which seemed greatly to amuse her father, who my captor had proven to be.

THE NELSON

Local Option Hotel - Rockford, Illinois

The Secrets of Foot Comfort and Trim Ankles

These secrets lie not in stockings of costly material. They lie in the way the stockings are fashioned.

Some stockings are *sewn* into shape. Others are *pressed* into shape. The former are slightly but uncomfortable. The others lose their shape in wear and wash.

The only stockings in the world which are shaped in the *knitting*—without seam—the only stockings in the world which are *knit* to fit the calf, the ankle, the heel, the feet, the toes—are

Burson Fashioned Stockings

Please understand.

There are only three kinds of stockings, regardless of price.

The first kind is the sewn stocking, with its awkward and uncomfortable seam in the leg, the heel, the feet, the toe.

The second kind is shaped *after* knitting—shaped with a hot iron to deceive you.

And the only stocking of the other kind—the only stocking which is shaped *in* the knitting without seams—is the BURSON Fashioned Stocking. Burson stockings insure trim ankles.

No amount of wear can make them loose or baggy. They cannot rip because they have no seam.

Burson stockings may be had in cotton, lisle, mercerized. In all weights, all sizes, all qualities.

Prices from 25c. up.

The cheapest Burson stocking is knit in the best Burson way.

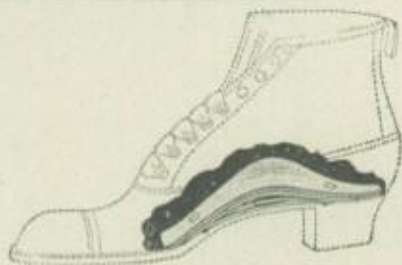
And no matter how much you pay for stockings you will find a better Burson stocking at same or lesser price.

When you buy stockings next, ask to see Burson Fashioned. See the shapely ankles. Test the uniform elasticity. Note the absence of seams—even in the toe—

And then remember that no other seamless hose will keep their shape—that only Burson hose are *knit* to shape without a seam. No seam is better than the best seam.

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THE BITTERSWEET OF BOYHOOD, Concluded

At last the cross-questioning was over and I was made to sit on the sofa beside my heretofore hated pedagogue, and my lap was piled high with ice cream and candy, while with unheeding ears I was told of the downfall of many who had made their course possible by a beginning such as mine.

After filling my already overflowing pockets with the remains of my repast I was about to leave, having received many a warning against similar occurrences in the future, with many words of good advice, when glancing through a half shut door I beheld, with shame-colored cheek, the kindly lady who had commented on my angelic appearance, in earnest conversation with him whose pleasant evening we had so unceremoniously intererupted, the traveling man-beau.

Outside a series of long-drawn whistles greeted me from up the street, where under a spreading oak were assembled the "bunch," who after hearing my

unprecedented experience, and after participating in my store of candy, unanimously elected me a member of their exclusive organization.

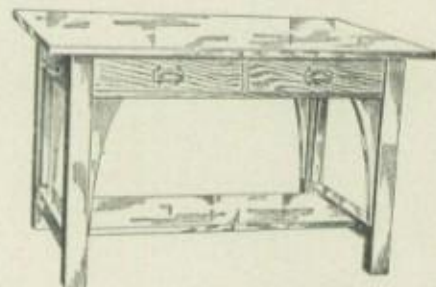
—T. W. Y. '09.

Our Dime Novel Library

"Old Spitfire spoke true and six bloody redskins bit the dust. Holding Madge in front of him, our hero, Red Horse Harry, the Boy Rancher, rode his plunging mustang, unscathed, through the rest of the tribe, up, up, up to his hidden retreat on the mountain, where he set about to bring Madge to. Her first words were, "Where am I?"

"Right in my arms, dearest", he answered, "where you shall always be." At that she fainted again.

At last however, he saw his way clear to reach the village by an all night ride and marry Madge, as we shall see in our next issue.



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Don't lend a pencil unless you expect to get a better one in return.

Don't ever answer a question in class without first having remarked to the instructor, "Pardon me, but I didn't quite understand what you said."

Don't forget to rearrange your hair at the beginning of each class. It gives the instructors time to collect their wits. They will appreciate the favor.

Don't say "Excuse me" when you bump into a person in the hall.

N. B. Exceptions can be made to this rule when you knock the person down.

Don't whisper in Assembly. See if you can't talk louder than the speaker.

Don't walk to the lunch room; the instructors aren't prepared for it.

Don't pay your class dues on time—the collectors want exercise chasing you.

A Bit of Latin

Cum Bill Taft praesidis sellam et Teddy nihil in hoc loco habeat, Teddy in Africam ivit ut caperet animalia magna. Cum in animo suo multos liones iam occiderit, omnia eius somna vera futura esse speremus.

Receipt for an English Theme

Take one plot and let it simmer in a Psychological Atmosphere. When worked over until the Transitions are smooth, (a little midnight oil aids in this process) cover with the least trite Phrases obtainable, add Antecedent material mixed with a Spice of Wit and a Dash of Pathos, now stir in a generous amount of Inspiration, otherwise the Theme is liable to fall flat. Flavor with Dialect, Local color, or Historic Background to suit taste, then spread thin over many sheets of paper and place in Theme Cabinet—to be roasted.

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*Manish Kicks
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Student:—"I often exercise before breakfast. Do you think it advisable for me to jump on an empty stomach?"

Teacher:—"I would suggest that you first consult the owner of the stomach upon which you propose to jump.

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115 SOUTH WYMAN STREET

A. S. BANNING,
RESIDENT MANAGER

MR. HOOLEY ON ROCKFORD HIGH

"Well, Dinmissy, did I iver tell ye about the toim I went to school fer that chil' of mine?"

"Ye did not. Shure sit right down."

"Young Hooley," continued Mr. Hooley, "he got off 'fore I could ketch him one morning an' as I wanted some wood chopped, so I starts after him rather'n do it meself.

"I foun' the place alright, but it had so many doors I didn't know which on' to take. I decides the smallest suited me, bein' as the others were too imposing like. So in I goes.

"There were three doors on one side of the hall, but they were closed, so I goes by thim. I foun' one open an' peeked aroun', there were a lot of gurrlls cookin'. Gittin' lunch, I suppose. I didn't understan' why young Hooley bothered his ma by takin' lunch from home, till I smelled something burnin', thin I gives him credit for some sense.

"Well sor, I wint on 'cause I wa'nt hungry, an' thin a suddin bell rang, an' all the doors popped open an' children come running from all directions. It want no use to desist so I went alon' too. I for-

got to say this hall was all lined with long boxes with doors to thim. When I was walking along, a gurrll in front of me opened one of these boxes and sat down in front of it. I didn't notice her and pretty near fell over her head. Howsomeeever I do'ged her an' went up some stairs into a large room. There most of the children sat down 'cept a few boys, who began throwin' chalk aroun' tryin' to see how near they could come to me. Things was pretty lively fer a while, thin a young loidy came in, an' say you should have see how suddin their noses was burried in them books of thern. The beautiful loidy she looked at me and said, 'Could she do anything for me.' I told her what I wanted an' she sint me to the office.

"When I got out of that room I tell ye I didn't want no more of them surprises so I foun' the door as quick as I could before another of those bells rung.

"Young Hooley's at work now. I didn't loik the idea of him bein' trampled on in the rush fer an education."

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If I had more brains I might have been editor of the Owl.

If I'd been heavier I'd have been fullback this year.

If I could throw baskets I'd have made the basketball team easily.

If I could run, and jump, and hurdle, and vault, and put the shot, and throw the discus and hammer, I'd be a great athlete.

If I could only catch a ball I'd make a fine ball player.

If only the lunch room didn't charge so much.

If only the high school were made of marble.

If I could speak I'd make a fine orator or debater.

If I knew how to sing wouldn't I make a fine soloist for the quartet?

If I only studied, think of the A's I'd get.

If I only, only, only was something but a perpetual question mark.



The FRESHMAN—

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Is it I, or is it me?
 Were it her or am it he?
 Can it was, or been it is?
 We leave to English to decree.

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 I've learned my lessons every day,
 Despite my classmate's jeers.

I've never said how hard I work,
 Or balked at any job.
 I've done committee work galore,
 For the ungrateful mob.

Yet no one ever offered me
 The much desired "A".
 Or urged me on with ardent voice
 Class president to be.

It's very well—I won't complain,
 Since they're too dense to see.
 But I hope, if they to Heaven go,
 They'll learn how good I be.



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Psychology, which by the way is a study of the
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Mr. Vierck:—I am afraid the course would be
short for me.

There was an artist named Horner,
Who drew for the '09 book,
Her pictures were great
With an artistic look,
See within these pages their fate.

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Hunter C.:—Not to write it at all.

Instructor:—Within what initial does love lie?

Readywit:—Between A's and D's.

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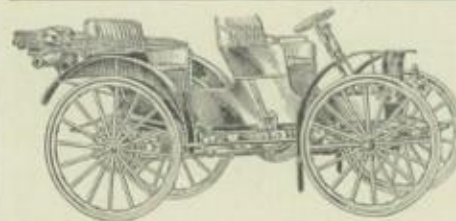
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Inquisition:—Do you consider skating normal or abnormal exercise?

Miss Hinchliff:—Normal if the ice remains under you; abnormal if you are compelled to swim to shore.



DOMESTIC SCIENCE

Those daily bells, those daily bells,
How much of grief their jingling foretells
Of flunks and D's and that sad times,
When last I heard their mournful chimes.
And so t'will be from day to day,
Their mournful peal will play away,
And other lights shall walk these halls,
To follow the bell from call to calls.
(Apologies to Moore).

The Song of the Brief

With fingers inky and cramped,
With eyelids heavy as lead,
A Senior sat in her dressing-gown,
With a towel tied round her head.
Scratch, scratch, scratch,
She outlined her arguments chief;
Until, with a brain that was hardly sane,
At dawn she finished her brief.

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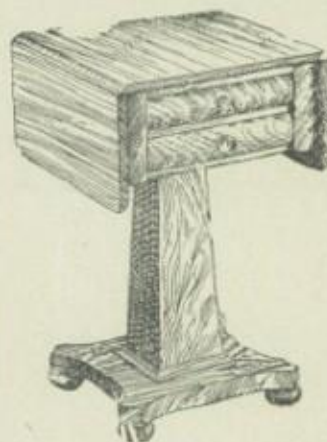
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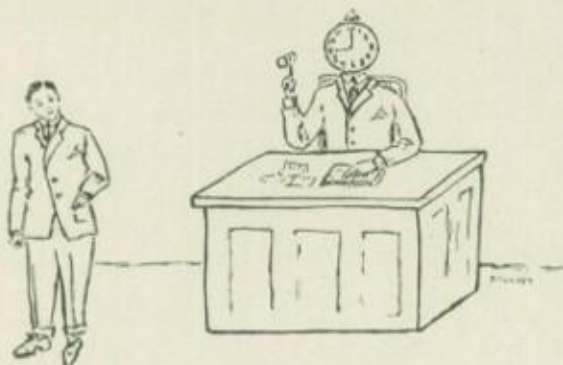


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Son of Mr. Sharp:—By walking next a Merry Widow.

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Eucaliptus:—The fact that he died in Rome.

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Afterhots

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How much of Flynn have you retained?
How about the Senior Fans?

When should certain boys graduate?
When will certain members of the faculty become friendly?
Is a grievance a plausible excuse?

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Were the Seniors serious serious when they accepted the baseball challenge?

Should a lovesick "boy" be considered "dippy", or just "daffy"?

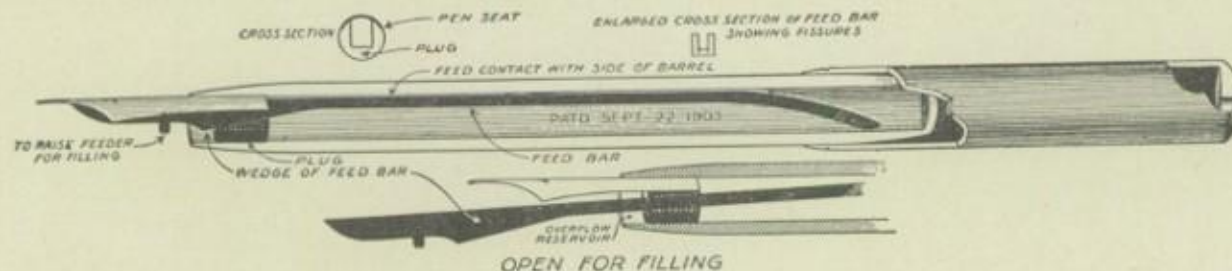
A real serious thot would paralyze some minister.

Would the welfare of the school be endangered if a square foot of green earth be provided to romp upon?

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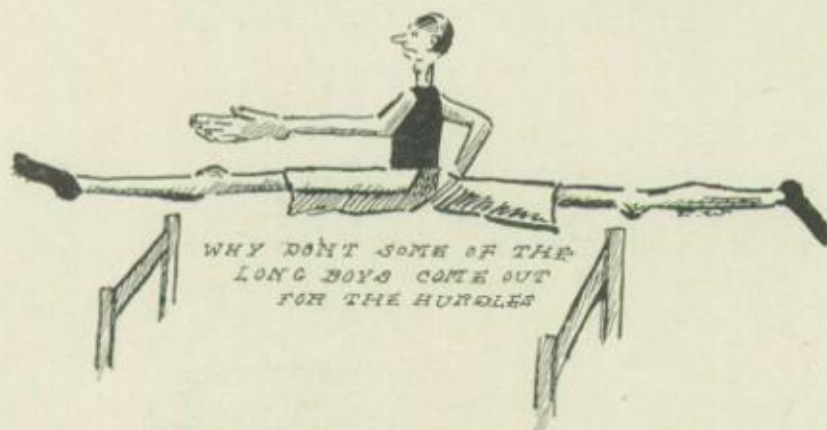
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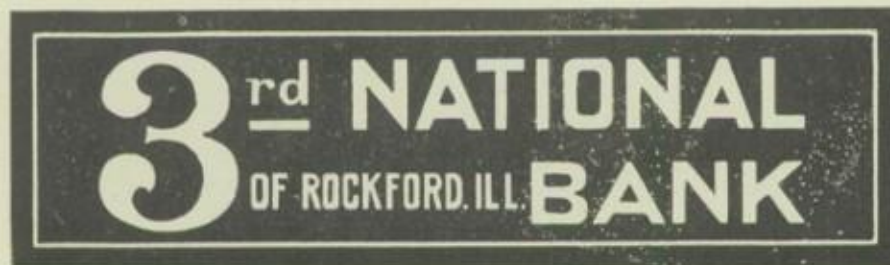
Speak to me only with thine eyes
And I will reply with mine
Or wag a finger as we pass,
I ask no other sign.
The breath we'd use to say "Halloa,"
Or greeting as benign,
We need it, dear, for walking fast.
So merely make a sign.

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Don't be a constant office seeker (principal's).

That Camlin is the long of it, and Harold Cutting the short order.

To return your admit.

To "pony or not to pony" is the question.

The Annual doesn't care.

There is a lock cutter at office when you want free pie at Lunch Room.

To leave Monday afternoon for the Orpheum.

"Much ado about nothing".—Junior, Soph. and Freshie class meetings

Girls minus rate equals what?

Knock, and you knock alone,

Boost and the world boosts with you.

That fools always try to run things when wisdom and superior knowledge are disregarded.

Obedience to the dictates of appointed authority is the better part of wisdom and the antidote for overgrown egotism.

Afterthots

To what extent should the simplified spelling be allowed?

Chairman (at joint debate):—The decision is unanimous for the affirmative.

Mr. Gordon:—Whow!

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THE CLASS SONG CHORUS

Naught Nine Class Song

Tune: Cheer for Old Amherst.

The time draws near when from our class mates dear
We'll be scattered far and wide,
Up the pathway of knowledge we have climbed
Together side by side.
The golden haze of our happy High School days
Will shine all along our way;
So everybody shout and sing
For Ninteen Naught Nine today.

CHORUS.

Cheer for old Rockford, old Rockford High,
Cheer for our banner, wide let it fly.
We've all done our best, so
Throw out your chest, oh,
Cheer for our class Naught Nine.

We will sing of our many victories
On the gridiron, track and field,
To the strength of the fierce and mighty foe
We were never known to yield.
May no defeat o'ertake us as we meet
The world in life's bold fray,
So everybody shout and sing
For Ninteen Naught Nine today.

Finis

Perhaps you'll like this Annual, and
Perhaps you won't.

Maybe we care, and
Maybe we don't.

Perhaps you'll be stung, and
Perhaps you won't.

Maybe we care, and
Maybe we don't.

Perhaps you'll do better, and
Perhaps you won't.

Maybe we care, and
Maybe we don't.



